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Callaghan and Shore out to stop

By George Clark, Political Correspondent

With Mr Wedgwood Benn, principal figure in the Labour

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leader, having challenged Mr. Benn to follow the logic of his opposition to collective leadership and contest the party leadership in the autumn, held back from making any further move within the Parliamentary Labour Party, thinking it more seemly to wait until Mr Benn comes out of hospital.

Although last night he had not sent any message to Mr. Benn in hospital, Mr. Foot indicated that he will wait in the hope that his colleague will be able to join the Shadow Cabinet next Wednesday to discuss its collective responsibility.

Just how Mr Foot will deal with the situation if Mr Benn continues to argue that he should not be bound by the collective decisions of the elected Parliamentary Committee, the formal name of the Shader Cabinet Shadow Cabinet, was still not

But he did not seem to sup-port the idea put forward by Mr John Silkin, the shadow Leader of the Commons, that if Mr Benn in future defies a decision of the Shadow Cabi-net—as he did on May 20 when he led a revolt by about 70 Labour rebels over defence Labour rebels over defence policy—he should be "deemed" to have resigned from the

Mr Foot takes the more orthodox view that Mr Benn should follow the example of the late Mr Aneurin Bevan, when in 1954 he disagreed with the collective leadership and resigned as a matter of course.

Try backbencher whether she had sent a "get well" message, said: "We would all wish to sent a message to any Member of the House who is not well, I do so to the nth degree."

Meanwhile it became clear that two former party leaders, Mr James Callaghan and Sir Harold Wilson, are now active in the campaign to stop Mr Benn from winning the contest with Mr Denis Healey and Mr Silkin for the deputy leadership of the party.

Mr Callagban has not previously entered the fray, though in the past he has condemned the activities of leftwing extremists who have sought to capture the controlof constituency parties.

He said yesterday that he though Mr Foot had been right to make his dramatic challenge to Mr Benn at Wednesday's meeting of the Shadow Cabi right old mess " and it seemed to have got worse since he resigned the leadership. Unfortunately, Mr Benn had not chosen to take up the chal-

lenge, presumably because he with Mr Wedgwood Benn, principal figure in the Labour Party's latest controversy, in hospital for the investigation of whar is believed to be a viral infection, the rival forces in the dispute over the future direction of the party had the chance yesterday to prepare for the next stage of the argument.

Mr Michael Foot, the party leader, having challenged Mr Benn to follow the logic of his proposition to collective leader.

Benn to follow the logic of his proposition to collective leader.

Benn is a brilliam phenomenon

to remember is that he (My Benn) is a brilliant phenomenon of the present age, just as Mrs Thatcher is. He is, in fact, the Mrs Thatcher of the Labour Party. They both advocate simple remedies."

With Mrs Thatcher the remedy was that if a government cut tages and convenient.

ment cut taxes and controlled the money supply, all would be well if the policy was pressed on ruthlessly. With Mr Bean it was a case of "accept con-ference decisions and all will be well, and it is only the cowardice and treachery of those who led the party earlier who have prevented us putting things right.

. He thought that Mr Benn's activities could cause Labour to lose the next general elec-tion. Many people feared him: But would Mr Callaghan work to prevent Mr Benn winning deputy leadership contest I am going to do the best to see that he does not," he re-

Mr Callaghan said that in the last two or three years Mr Benn had felt that he should become leader of the party "to save us from the cowardice and treachery of people like myself ".

He added: "He wants to be feader. He is perfectly entitled to try. He wants to do it on his own terms and my view is that he is not going to succeed. I believe the party will reject-him, at the end of the day."

Mr Peter Shore, the skadow Chancellor of the Exchequer, resigned as a matter of course, who is a supporter of the Exchequer, Though Mr Foot did not Healey for the deputy leader rublicly express any concern ship, said that when Mr. Foot shout Mr. Benn's health, Mrs. challenged Mr. Benn there was Margaret. Thatcher, when a feeting of matter was asked in the Commons by a literal asked in the commons asked in the commons by a literal asked in the commons asked in the common asked in

tracted contest have been revealed and made plain." Mr Shore said that the real

implication of what Mr Benn had been saving that these people, his colleagues in the Shadow Cabinet, are not to be trusted and, frankly, if that is his view it is something he ought to pur to the fest and fight Michael Foot for the leadership as Michael has suggested."

M: Silkin said vesterday that e regretted Mr. Benn had ducked Mr Foot's leadership, challenge.

"Political courage pays off in the end", Mr Silkin said on LBC independent radio. Mr Ian Mikardo, MP for Bethnal Green and Bow, a former close associate of Mr Foot, last night wrote to the party leader criticizing his action in the Shadow Cabinet.

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Attorney General defends Ripper plea decisions

trial of Peter Sutcliffe, the Yorkshire Ripper: one was to spare the families of victims detailed knowledge of the horrifying injuries Page 6 Sir Michael Havers, the Attor-ney General, gave MPs his three reasons for agreeing that it would be right to accept a plea of guilty to manslaughter in the horrifying injuries

Dacca pledge The acting President of Bangla-desh said the Government would uphold democracy and foil any plot to abolish it, and would discover the truth about the killing of President Zia

Children beaten For the second day schoolchildren were beaten by clot police in Johannesburg's Coloured (mixed race) areas. The police moved into one school with

dogs, whips and tear gas Page 8 Extra tax relief The Government has bowed to State for Social Services, has pressure from businessmen and called for an investigation into iscoffering extra tax relief to allegations in a relevision film

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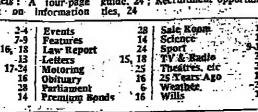
Prison proposals An urban open prison with a reduced emphasis on security and control and more freedom for prisoners is proposed in an unpublished report by a Home Office working party . . Page 3 Airliner projects

Three new European airliner projects were announced at the thirty fourth Paris air show. The role of British Aerospace in the projects appears to be limited Page 9

Hospital inquiry

s in their about conditions at two mental

services. See also government thanges to the business start-up thanges to the business start-up scheme, page 17.
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Stock markets 2 Dollar-earners and experiens scared in the market from the drop in striling. Gilts lost up to £2 on interest rate and inflation fears. The FT Index closed up 8.9 at 555.6 Classified advertisements: Personal, pages 24, 25; Car buyer's guide. 24; Recruitment opportunities 24.





Church leaders make joint appeal in Ulster

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Runcie, praying for peace yesterday with the Roman Catholic Primate of All Ireland, Cardinal Tomas O Fialch, in Armagh. The Primate of the Church of Ireland, the Most Rev John Arm-strong, was also present and the three made a joint appeal for Irish people to reject the gunmen.

It was the first time the three men had met and they discussed the troubles for more than an hour inside Cardinal O Fiaich's palace, close to Armagh's magnificent Roman Catholic cathedral (Tim Jones writes from Belfast). .

Mr Doyle, aged 40, was born and brought up in Manchester. He graduated in civil entineer-ing from Manchester University

British Rail, He then financed himself (brough a course at Harvard Business School before

working as a management con-sultant in London, Brussels and

the United States.

He joined Booker Me distilling 1973 and became a deter of the main board in 1500 line engineering division over the main bearing division over the main of the company of the presides is the biggest section of the company of th

tion of the company in terms

Mr Doyle said last night that he had applied for the job

because he felt the formation of the SDP offered a chance of busting the political system.

"That is the sort of chance that

in policies, and that his sympathies had been broadly with

pathies had been broadly with the Liberals.

Although he sees his prime role as organizational, he hopes to have some input on policy issues as well.

His bod from collectives were surplised of this security of a large collective to what one of them yes, and described as a risky venture.

Mr Bernard Doyle: "Highly

professional manager."

It is clear that he has been primarily chosen for his managerial skills rather than because of any particular poli-

cess of shortlisting for three to

further full-time appointments

for directors of organization, communication and policy. Continued on back page, col 4

the United States.

Reading from an agreed statement. Dr Runcie said that they had discussed ways in which religious leaders could deepen their cooperation in joint con-demnation of violence, "and in making appeals to both communities to use the constitutional means that exist to defeat those who pursue the futile way of violence ".

The statement added: "We believe that violence postpones and does not help in the building of a society that is more just and harmonious. We are determined to work together energetically to this end." Dr Runcie said that they bad also

bridges between them in the past. "In particular we had a frank conversation about the question of mixed marriages and we look forward to future dialogue on this subject ", he said. After exchanging gifts with Cardinal O Flaich, Dr Runcie left for Dublin,

to deliver a sermon at St Patrick's Cathedral. Today he will meet Mr Charles Haughey, the Irish Prime Minister, and President Hillery.

discussed some of the differences be-

tween the churches and examined the efforts that had been made to build

Big arms find, page 2

Industrialist Government rejects intervention to be as sterling continues to fall SDP chief By John Whitmore and Peter Hill By Iau Bradley

As sterling slid 7.65 cents to unwelcome implications, for \$1.3410 in Liondon yesterday, both inflation and interest the Covernment said it had no rates. Money market rates plans to intervene. Mr Nigel firmed up and falls of up to Lawson. Financial Secretary at the Treasury, told the Compushed the yields on long-term mons: "Whether the rate is government debt above 15 per Mr Bernard Doyle, chairman of Booker McCoonell Engineer-ing, has been appointed chief executive of the Social Demoexecutive of the Social Demo-cratic Party (SDP).

He was one of 320 applicants for the post which has an annual salary of £25,000, and was chosen from a short list of five. He saled up the lob on September.

in the collar was putting respected pressure on all the leading European currencies, especially the Deutsche mark, a suited by sterling closed slightly the best of the day, if still recorded a fall of more than 2 per contragants a basker of European cuarencies.

Questioned about the infla-tionary implications of the infla-in the points see lievesh said that the points afterage value was roughly where it was a year ago. While the exchange rate fluctuations would have some temporary effect, the domestic joylarion rate was determined in the long run by the rate of growth in the money

That is the sort of chance that comes only every 50 years. I besitated before applying but felt that I would never forgive myself if I did not."

Until he joined the SDP retently he had never belonged to a political party. He said he had a strong academic interest in politics, and that his symsupply.

In the City, however, livestors were trearly taking the view
that the fall-in the pondd hidd Sterling's fall against the dollar has led to further speculation that the British National Oil Corporation will be forced to cut its official price for North Sea oil within the next few days, possibly by \$2 a barrel. British Petroleum, in which the Government is the major shareholder, added its voice to the growing clamour.

d of the Bank of England's policy British industry, which has which is to allow the rate to be deferous been complaining binerly about major mined primarily by mail the impact of a high exchange voice to rate on exports, cauciously welfor a cut of the Government's non-intervention policy in foreign exchange markets came when a fresh upsurge in the collar was putting formation of the collar was putting formation to 555.6.



voice to the growing clamour for a cut in North Sea prices BP said last night that it had cut output from its Forties Field because it could not find Unveiling a first quarter £110m fall in profits, directors

of the company said that North
Sea oil was plainly overpriced.
But any cut in crude oil
prices by the State-owned
BNOC is unlikely to lead to substantial cuts in petrol prices because reductions in crude prices are compensated for by sterling's fail.

Holidaymakers will be cushioned against the effect of the pound's drop, said the Association of British Travel Agents. It emphasized that there would be no extras for those people who have already paid for their holidays, and prices could not be changed within 30 days of departure. Leading article, page 15 Little joy for industry, page 17

attack on Poles From Michael Binyon, Moscow, June 4 In an ominous new develop- this morning instead substituted

Ominous Soviet

ment Russia roday accused Polish trade union leaders of outright anti-Sovietism, and quoted one Solidarity official saying that a million members of the Polish Community Party ought to be hanged. The charges were made in

reports by Tass, which is distri-buted to all Soviet newspapers and broadcasting stations. They are clearly intended to show the Russian people that not only is Solidarity, the independent trade union movement, bent on the destruction of communism, but the party has last control of the situation and allowed Poies to express open hostility to the Russians.

The serious charge of anti-Sovietism is calculated to raise national and ideological hackles among the Russians, and is one that was made against reformers in Czechoslovakia before the Warsaw Pact invasion in 1968. A Tass report from Warsaw quoted Mr Bogdan Krakowski escribed us a Solidarity léader, threatening violence against Polish Communists unless the Polish Communists unless the red flag was taken down from council buildings, and names of streets and buildings honouring the Soviet Union were changed. It said he had called in a speech in the southern town of Zawiercie for Red Army Street and a school named after the Soviet near Mayalougher to be

Soviet poet Mayakovsky to be renamed after Poles, and threatened that if this was not done the union would dissolve Tass described Mr Krakow-

ski as a "monster", who had, according to "informed Polish sources" called for the hanging of a million members of the Polish party.

The dispatch was read out on Moscow radio's English service, but the final threat was omitbut the final inreat was omitted. The item was later droppedaltogether. Tass, which normally translates all its main
reports into English for its
overseas, subscribers, did net
publish this report on its
foreigh service at all—a clear
indication that is made and indication that indication that it was designed to prepare Russians for a bitter campaign against the Poles. However, Soviet, newspapers

other items less dramatic about Poland Pravda quoted the chairman of the Soviet-Polish Friendship Society as saying that only those who were politically blind could fail to notice the "dirty flood" of anti-Sovietism in Poland.

Tass roday also gave prominence to a report in a Bulgarian newspaper which strongly criti-cized the Polish party for retreating from Marxist-Len-inist positions and the laws of class struggle",

The paper, Rabotnichesko Delo, also said that anti-Sovietism, which it called a dangerous phenomenon, was spreading in Poland and should not be underestinated.

Mr Bogdan Krakowski, the Solidarity tranch leader in Zawiercie, Sald that he had never advocated violence against Communists, as alleged

Varsaw). Mr Krakowski said: "There Mr Krakowski said: "There was no threat, as the Soviet media alleged, of violence."
Solidarity leaders tonight voted in favour of a two-hour warning strike in four northern provinces, despite an appeal by the Roman Catholic Church.

Tass (Reuter reports from

Church.
Officials said Solidarity's National Commission, meeting without Mr Lech Walesa, its leader who is in Geneva, voted by 22 to 13 with two abstentions to hold the strike in Bydgoszcz, Wioclawek, Plock and Torun next Thursday.
The strike was called to protest against delays by the authorities in naming and

authorities in naming and punishing officials responsible for ordering police to evict Solidarity members from the Bydgoszcz provincial assembly hall on March 19.

It will be the first major industrial protest in Poland since Mr Wojciech Jaruzelski.

the Prime Minister, Parliament on April 10 to out-law strikes for two months. Bishop Jan Michaelski of Guiezno had earlier called ou the union not to strike, arguing that those present held the fate of the nation in their hands. Church plea, page 7

Passenger sees jet's wing crack

ish Airways airliner alerted the captain after he saw a crack appear in the starboard wing of the aircraft as it flew over the Arlantic early yesterday.

The captain sent an emergency call to London and talked

to the airline's safety experts and cogineers, but they decided that the fault in the honeycomb structure behind the main spar was not structural and with 410 passengers the aircraft conti-nued on to London from Bar-It landed safely at Heathrow

airport and the airline said yes terday that it was carrying our an examination of all its Boeing

an examination of all its Boeing 747s.

There was definitely no danger as the crack was not in a load-bearing area. But we will be examining all of our 747s as a matter of course. The crack was only small, but we won't have further details until our envineers have had time to won't have further details until our engineers have had time to out. When I discovered what examine it," the airline said.

Alsatians kill baby in garden

By Stewart Tendler

A baby boy died vesterday after being attacked by seven alsatian dogs in the garden of a house in Harlesden, north-Michek Cecil Francis, aged 12 months, was staying at his

grandparents' home in Fortune Sate Road, Harlesden, while his mother, Caroline Francis, went to look for a job. There were five adults and three other children in the house when the baby got out unnoticed into the garden where the dogs were. After the police arrived at the house the dogs were sedated, and taken to an RSPCA centre.

The dogs were owned by Michek's uncle, Mr Errol Francis, and were being trained for his firm, Hollis Security. Michek's grandfather, Mr Cecil

Shot PC verdict shocks police

Two armed raiders were cleared westerday of attempting to market Police Constable Phill Othic who was shot and paralysed some the waist down while his piece to stop them estating a first blackstock, aged 21 both Hell's Angels, were convicted at the Cantral Criminal Court of weighting him. They will be semented roday.

PC Olds, and later that his

Philip Chilit who was shot and parafisted from the waist down have been used, PC Olds would never have been used, PC Olds Price, the post of the blanks to use in the pistol, but as these did not work properly they decided to load the gun with live ammunition.

Both Hell's langels, were convicted at the Cooke, aged 21, as PC Olds lay helpless on the ground, believing he was dying after being shot by Blackstock, of no fixed address, rible blow from a heavy boot", was found guilty of wounding PC Olds with intent to resist and wery, very disappointed. The next day, Mr Tudor are fixed for an alibi, and dreadful day for the police, he said.

Both Mr Blackstock and Mr laughed and boasted about the shooting. But Mr Rant to resist arrest, but conting the unit of the shooting. But Mr Rant to resist arrest, but conting the shooting. But Mr Rant to resist arrest, but conting the shooting against them.

Cooke said they did not work properly they decided to load the gun with live ammunition.

Both the accused were acquitted of attempted murder. Mr Blackstock, of no fixed address, was found guilty of wounding. The next day, Mr Tudor are fixed of unlawful wounding. They had denied the charges to shoot anyone during the unit proud of what had happened.

Both Mr Blackstock and Mr line and the shooting asked the judge not to find as against them.

Mr Jim Jardine, chairman of the Police Federation, said the properly they decided to load the gun with live ammunition.

Both the accused were acquitted of attempted murder. Mr Cooke of Elm Tree Avenue, Northolt, Middlesex, and they decided to load the gun with live ammunition.

Both the accused were acquitted of attempted murder and

Mr James Rant, QC, for the 23,000 coppers who are going defence of Mr Cooke, said after to do you." the verdicts: "If blanks had Both men, members of the been used, PC Olds would never Hell's Angels "Nomad Chap-

successful raid on an off-licence. PC Olds had faced Mr Black- the Police Federation, said the in Haves, West London two days stock, armed with a 22 Luger verdict, would seriously content of the conten they, had taken the pistol as a in his hand, the court was told will not pur policement off frightener to stop people be He had said: "If you shoot that doing their duty, but it is the coming too brave" bloody thing there will be courts duty to protect them?"

Give Habib time, Sadat asks

From Christopher Walker, Ofira, June 4

not interested in politics in the party sense. He is a quiet, highly professional manager and the second round of his diplomatic in 1975 in a deliberate attempt. Although the SDP has not disclosed the identities of the other short-listed condidates in the content short-listed condidates in the financial Times. He said manager to the Financial Times. He said manager to the Financial Times he said that the Syrian design had failed is understood that one was advertised and I dever applied. I had not been souther the south one or two informations of the south on the south one or two informations of the south of the south of the south one or two informations of the south one or two informations of the south of the s le leader, looking townish to leader, looking townish to referred to and take the leader to street the leader th

President Sadar of Egypt In previous statements, Presimilitarily involved in any war conight urged Mr Begin, the dent Sadar has himted that as an obstween Israel and Syria. Israeli Prime Minister, to allow 'Arab country Egypt has sym. The decision of war and the United States time to repathy for Syria. As a press conpeace in the area on the Arab solve the crisis in Lebanon and ference, after the summit, side is in the hands of Egypt, not to impose any time limit:

however, it was the Egyptian and on the Israeli side is in managerial skills rather than because of any particular political commitment. One colleges as Mr Philip Habib, the league said vesterday he was American special envoy to the league said vesterday he was American special envoy to the league said vesterday he was American special envoy to the league said vesterday he was preparing to not interested in politics in the region for the party sense. He is a quiet, sensel to the region for the region for the region for the party sense. He is a quiet, sensel to the region for the region for the region for the region for the party sense. He is a quiet, sensel to the region for the region for the region for the region for the party sense. He is a quiet, sensel to the region for leader, not Mr Begin, who the hands of Israel, he said, issued the strongest condem pointing out that he and Mr nation of President Assad. Begin had pledged that the

> (President Assad's) stay as The presence of militant President. He said Syria should Jevish settlers protesting withdraw from Lebanon noisily at the Israeli pull-our Although both leaders from the remainder of Sinal in decided to keep some of their 1982 appeared to do little to sion was that President Sadat minute private meeting.
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> and once again made clear Photograph, and Washington
> Egypt's refusal to become sides, page 8

to create a greater Syria.

President Satist also said that strikes against Palestinian the Syrian design had failed.

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"Now the motive is to divert that this request had been inside Syria and to prolong his refused. of launching preemptive strikes against Palestinian

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Harrow, Midd:



Benn in hospital after gruelling daily schedule

Mr Wedgwood Benn was whether the illness could have under the care of a consultant neurologist last night after being admitted to hospital for tests on a suspected viral infection.

Mr Benn, who is 56, had made an appointment at the outpatients clinic of Charing Cross Hospital, in Hammersmith west London, several days ago when he complained of pains in his legs. His admission came hours after he refused to accept Mr Michael Foot's challenge to fight him fot the leadership of the Labour Parts. Since the beginning of the trades union conference season in April, Mr Benn has had a gruelling schedule addressing meetings in his campaign for the deputy leadership. Labour Paros

The tests are expected to be completed within 24 hours. The hospital said: "Depending on the tests, he might have to stavin hospital over the weekend."

Mr Benn, who is in a National Health Service bed in a single room, was visited by his wife Caroline and son Hilaty, vestercaroline, and son Hilacy, yester-day. His son said Mr Benn had been surprised when doctors decided to detain him for tests.

"He is well and cheerful. He is sitting up in bed doing a little light work and resting. I have brought him more than '250 letters which he needs to sign. I do not know what is wrong with him. He said that he had nor been feeling well for several

days. a He added that his father

He added that his father hoped to resume work as soon as possible. All Mr Benn's engagements have been cancelled for the time being.

He is not being allowed any visitors apart from his family. Mr Benn himself spoke from his hospital ward simply to say:

"I have nothing to add to the statement made by my son on my behalf."

Neither his son, nor Mrs Primarolo would speculate on

TGWU rejects Foot view on deputy's contest

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

position was undermined yes workers, whose dominating 1.25 terday by rank-and-file leaders million block vote could swing of the country's largest union who rejected his view that Mi-Wedgwood Benn should not stand for the Labour Party deputy leadership.

In an unpublicized decision the general executive council of the Transport and General Workers' Union voted 4-1 to throw out a motion endorsing the view taken two months ago by the union's national officials that Mr Benn should withdraw

Mr Michael Foot's political the leadership of the transport the outcome of the party.

On May 16 he addressed a meeting at the Association of Scientific Technical and Mana-gerial Staffs at Blackpool. The

gerial Staffs at Blackpool. The
next day he was at Brighton
addressing a meeting at the
Union of Communication
Workers conference. Threedays later he spoke at a fringe
meeting at the Fire Brigade's
union conference at Bridling.

ton, Humberside, rushing away to be back at the House of Commons that night in time to defy a shadow Cabinet recom-

mendarion to abstain in the de-

On May 21 he was at Bourne

mouth to address a meeting at the Amalgamated Union of En-gineering Workers (TASS) sec-

tion, conference before flying to the United States to speak at

He flew back to attend a meeting of the National Execu-

tive Committee on May 27. Two days later he was in his Bristol South East constituency doing

a surgery and other casework.

Mr Benn was due at the Nottingham Area National Union of Miners annaul picnic

fence debate.

controversy.

In particular, it suggests that even if the union's conference. in Brighton later this month does not take a view about which candidate to support in the forthcoming election, the Benn camp may yet pick up the critical votes of the largest

affiliated union.
The final attitude of the union will not be known until shortly before the election for from the leadership race.

The vote shows a bigger than takes place in open conference expected split in the ranks of at Brighton.



Conference decisions are contradictory

God who plays dice with Labour's universe

nuclear weapons and calling for all nuclear bases on British soil

to be closed.
Soon afterwards it rejected a recommendation to the party

dence White Paper a few weeks

ago.

But, as Mr Foot bitter'y remarked to the Shadow Cabinet, Mr Benn's tactics at the end of that debate destroyed

for the leadership of the Labour Party.

That may be Mr Callaghan's opinion, but there is no question that the emphasis placed on the deliberations of conference by Mr Benn and his supporters has amounted almost to deliberation of the institution. deification of the institution.

Even yesterday Mr Michael Meacher, MP for Oldham, West, and one of Mr Benn's righthand men in the Commons, was maintaining in a radio interview that the argument was not with Mr Foot but with the way the parliamentary leadership was implementing party policy.

The real argument, he implied, was with Mr Denis Healey, who was opposed to party policy on the issues of nuclear disarmament, withdrawal from the European Community and the economic alternative to Thatcherite moneta-

However, in his challenge to Mr Benn, Mr Foot cited all three issues as examples of the way in which conference deci-sions could not be translated into policy by the Shadow An examination of the resolu-

tions carried by last year's con-ference on those subjects gives much force to Mr Foot's argu-ment. What for instance, is the Shadow Cabinet to do about the following two motions, adopted

Conference decisions are not God, Mr James Callaghan, the former Prime Minister, said yesterday when supporting Mr Michael Foot's challenge to Mr Wedgwood Benn to fight him for the leadership of the Labour Party. declared that in proposing a commitment in the comes policy had been a factor Labour manifesto to unitateral disarmament; and a third defeate it research incomes Prince State

at the end of a debate on calling on the next Labour government to reduce defeace spending and proposing multi-pool, Wavettree constituency lateral disarmament; another proposing a commitment in the comes policy had been a factor disarmament; and a third defeate it research incomes policy had been a factor disarmament; and a third defeate in comes policy had been a factor disarmament; and a third defeate in comes policy had been a factor disarmament; and a third defeate in comes policy had been a factor disarmament; and a third defeate in comes policy had been a factor disarmament; and a third defeate in comes policy had been a factor disarmament; and a third defeate in comes policy had been a factor disarmament; and a third defeate in comes policy had been a factor disarmament; and a third defeate in comes policy had been a factor disarmament; and a third defeate in comes policy had been a factor disarmament; and a third defeate in comes policy had been a factor disarmament. pool, Wavetiree constituency Labour Party, declared that incomes policy had been a factor in past Labour general election defeats. It. rejected incomes policy as a method of combating unemployment. The motion was well carried. Labour manifesto to unilateral disarmament; and a third opposing British participation in any defence policy based on the use or threatened use of

A few minutes later a motion put forward by the Union of Communication Workers came up for voting. That rejected the concept of "an incomes and prices free-for-all inherent in he nature of free collective bargaining and free price-fix-ing . That, too, was passed, by

a recommendation to the party
"to renounce Nato or any other
grouping based on nuclear
deterrence". It was quickly
observed that the unilateralist
motions were hardly compatible
with membership of Nato.

Accordingly, the National
Executive Committee and the
Shadow Cabinet are engaged in
artempts to draw up an agreed
policy. In a move to find an
approach which commanded
the unanimous support of the
perliamentary party; the shadow
Cabinet put down its amendment to the Government's dedence White Paper a few weeks smaller majority. The formation of a counterinflation strategy and the development of a relationship with the trade unions to help achieve it is recognized as the most important task facing the Labour Party as it moves towards the next election. Those two contradictory conference

motions settled nothing.

The fog was even thicker on defence policy. As an old CNDer, as Mr Foot described himself on Wednesday, he is anxious for the party to achieve a disarmament policy before the next election which commands as wide agreement as possible. possible.

As he acknowledged, the last conference passed important resolutions on the issue, aithough not all of them were necessarily compatible with one another. He can say that again. The conference in quick succession passed one resolution

fresh referendum, it took a line different from that adopted by the TUC.

posal to set up a study group to examine Labour's Irish policy.

Mr Benn, however, did not wait for the study group's conclusion's before declaring himself in favour of the withdrawal of British troops.

Mr Arthur Palmer, Labour MP for Bristol, North-East, said yesterday that the party should give financial help to MPs who

· He raised what he described as "this moral dilemma" at a meeting of the Parliamentary party, saying that MPs like Mr John Sever, MP for Birming-

end of that debate destroyed any possibility of achieving the dual aim of keeping the party united without abandoning or weakening policy.

Similarly, last year's conference cannot be said to have seriled the question of how a Labour government would disengage Britain from the EEC. Although it urged withdrawal, the means of doing so were left open and in voting against a lose their seat in an election. Labour's parliamentary affairs group is considering whether to recommend that the severance payment be made at the end of

On Northern Ireland, another issue on which Mr Foot said Mr Benn was questioning his allegiance to party policy. Mr Benn has been ahead of conference policy.

Last year it rejected a motion calling for British withdrawal. It endorsed the executive's pro-

Appeal for cash aid to 'deselect' MPs

lost their seats through the new reselection procedure. .

ham, Ladyword, who were deselected, should be helped, possibly through the party's benevolent fund.

A present MPs receive a severance payment of between 6 and 12 months' salary, if they have their seas in an alaction

the means of doing so were left payment be made at me end of open and in voting against a service irrespective of reason.

Commons sketch

The price of beer takes a pounding again

The casual observer of the political scene might have expected Labour MPs to arrive at the House of Commons yester-day in a mood of exultancy and with their cups of jey brim-ming over Had not their leader courageously abandoned the policy of turning the other cheek and entered the lists against the fire-breathing dragon from Bristol, South

Even better news, surely, was the way in which the pound was timbling, something that Mr Peter Shore, the Opposition's chief, spokesman on economic matters; had been pressing on the Charcellor of the Exchequer

for many months past.

Admittedly, the tumbling pound had little to do wirk Sir

pound had little to do with Sir Geoffrey Howe, but even so one might have expected a squeak of appreciation from those MPs of a more generally cheef that greeted Mr Michael Foot, as me rose to put his divergence of the Prime Minister came from the form the hold considering that is high exchange rate in Labour syes, has been behind almost every mixery of the past few years from the again price of beer to the low standard of living, it seemed a little odd that it took so long for anyone to raise the matter. The only mention came towards the end of questions to the Chancellor when Mr Shore produced a convoluted argument about a convoluted argument about the respective virtues of intervention by the Bank of England or of leaving well alone to allow market forces to produce the correct Tate.

CLOSED SHOP

REBEL FAILS

Miss Joanna Harris, aged 21.

the closed shop rebel, failed yes

terday to get back her job as

a poutry inspector despite a

vote by Nalgo members of

Sandwell council to scrap the

closed shop. Three other unions

need to be consulted, the coun-cil decided.

A four-year-old girl died and a boy, aged fwo, was in a critical condition yesterday. Police found them injured in a parked car in the village of Moelfre, near Abergele, Clwyd.

They were Anne Marie and Andrew Madonna of Colwyn Eay. Police said a man had been arrested and was being questioned.

From Hugh Noves, Parliamentary Conrespondent, Westmin Mr Migel Lawson, the Finan-cial Secretary, remarked that Mr Shote's question was the most curious he had ever heard. For the first half he seemed to be arguing that the exchange rate should be held up while in the second half he appeared to want it to go down.

☐ The proposed debate between the leaders of the two main parties in the Irish Republic's general election, Mr Charles Haughey, of Fianna Fail and Dr Garrer PitzGerald, of Fine Geel, has been called Mr Foot, meanwhile, decided to move on to safer ground. Would the Prime Minister assist by clearing up some apparent confusion, asked the Labour leader.

But it soon turned out that the confusion in Mr Foot's off by the national radio and television network. RTE, because of what the station terms irreconcilable differ-Miles.

A part-time soldier is resigning his commission to fight the parliamentary seat in Fermanagh and South Tyrone left wacant by Robert Sands. Mr Kenneth Maginnis, a teacher and a major in the Ulster Defence Regiment will contest the seat for the Official Unionist. Party (the Press Association reports).

the confusion in Mr Foot's mind was over the budgetary contribution to the EC and disclosures in The Times that there was disagreement between the Treasury and the Foreign Poffice.

Mrs Thatcher had little difficulty in dealing with that one As the First Lord of the Ifeasury and as the main negotating with Europe, she considered herself in he both departments and she was cartainly nor disagreeing with herself.

herself.

Did as often happens in the Sonse wife livelies exchanges came over been According to Isaack Marchanges Party. Labour MP for Lerepool, Scotland Exchange, beer was being placed beyond the reach of the British working man. That was easily disproved, said Mr Lawson. All Mr Party had to do was to walk into any pub do was to walk into any pub in Britain and he would find it absolutely choca-block with workers. Just like the Palace of Westminster.

Parliamentary report, page

MAN HELD AFTER CHILD'S DEATH

Jenkin acts over film on mental hospitals

Big arms haul

in Belfast

From Tim Jones, Belfast Security forces in Belfast esterday discovered guas

The police said the search a

In the scuffles that followed

afternoon they came under heavy attack from a mob armed

which were blocking access to

use in the street battles.

Demand for radical:

to predict the contems but said

"There is a feeling that some

increasing demand by the rest of the people in the United

Kingdom for political progress. Mr Concannon was severely critical of Mr Wedgwood Benn's

statements on Northern Ireland. It was positively dangerous when people who did not know the problem made outlandish

ences between the parties"
(Our Dublin Correspondent

writes).

Republic election

debate called off

change expected

covered face masks, petrol bombs, acid bombs and 20 gallons of hydrochloric acid.

with petrol bombs.

flats

By Lucy Hodges
Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary
of State for Social Services,
yesterday asked two area
health authorities to investigate allegations made in an
ATV documentary about shockyesterday discovered guns, bombs and big supplies of acid after they had tord down barricades surrounding a huge Catholic housing complex five minutes walk from the city ing conditions in two hospitals for the mentally handicapped.

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This announcement was made amid speculation that Divis Flats had been mounted because the complex was the scene of considerable violence made aimid spectuation that the programme, to be shown next Wednesday at Spin, might be changed or banned by the Independent Broadcasting Authority.

in recent weeks. As soon as the raid began women rustied, on to the street to warn their neighbours by banging dustbin lids. Authority.

The authority met all day yesterday and discussed the film, Silent Minority, but made no decision. Members of the authority are due to see the programme today. Representatives of the two area health bodies concerned declined to comment, but one, Berkshire, said it would decide today what to do after discussions with staff.

Sir George Young Indeed nine people were arrested, one of them in connexion with a of them in connexion with a firearms offence. More than 500 troops and police are estimated to have taken part in the search of the flats which are stronghold of the Irish National Liberation Army.

The immediace vicinity of the flats is one of the most dangerous areas in the whole of the province for the Police and Army to patrol. They have been shot at on several occasions and on Wednesday afternoon they came under

with staff.

Sir George Young, UnderSecretary of State for Health,
referred to the programme at
the conference of the Institute
of Health Service Administrators yesterday. He said the
Department of Health and
Social Security would have to
see the film before considering whether to increase m
inquiry. The Army and police moved in at 7.30am, led by heavy bull-dozers which smashed their way through the remains of 55 cars

inquiry. inquiry.

"The Government shares a deep concern that is widely felt about the sad and twilight lives some seriously bandicapped people endure", he said. The National Health Service had to give priority to the Cinderella

the flats. Some of the corridors inside the flats were also barricaded. After a five-hour search the Army had discovered a terri-fying arsenal of weapons for The haul included a rifle with telescopic sights, a revolver and ammunition. They also dis-

Mr Brian Rix, secretary general of the National Society for Mentally Handicapped Children and Adults, said any attempt to ban the documentary would be fought tooth-and-nail.

"The British people will not tolerate a cover-up of the prison camp conditions in some of our long-stay hospitals for the mentally handicapped", he said. "A ban would be a squaid response to a film which was made with the full knowledge of the hospital authorities and was not a long-lensed scoop.

.The way in which the film was made is one difficulty faciog the broadcasting authority. A freelance producer, Mr Nigel Evans, went into St Lawrence's Hospital in Caterbam, Surrey, and Borocourt Hospital, near Reading, last year to make a fund-raising film for a charity of which he is chairman.

Change expected

The Labour Party study group on Northern ireland, which is nearing the end of its deliberations, seems certain to make radical proposals for political change in the province (Christopher Thomas writes).

Mr Dennis Concannon, opposition spokesman on Northern Ireland and a member of the group, said at the end of a three-day tour yesterday that there might be "a bit of shoving and nudging " of the big parties in Ulster.

"Our people are becoming unemployed, our schools and the general population is seeing standards going down. They are looking at where the taxpayers." The shots of ward conditions, of a boy being tied to a post and adults in caged compounds were aduits in caged compounds were all taken in the process of making the film for the charity one to One. Staff were aware of the filming, although they had not known about all the scenes shot. Mr Richard Creasey, controller of features at ATV, refused to say when the hospital authorities became aware that a Clim are being made for ATV.

standards going down. They are looking at where the taxpayers' money is going and they are certainly looking at the £1,000m that comes over here.", he said.

The studyngs of the basis of a report to the next party conference. Mr Concamon refused to predict the contemp by said. film was being made for ATV. Members of the Berkshire and Croydon area health authorities resolution to this problem ought to be started very soon.". He added that there was an were yesterday seeing the film. Croydon said it would not be seeking an injunction to prevent its screening.

 Mr Michael Goody, adminit trator of St Lawrence's Hospital, said it was one of the most open and forward-looking hospitals for the mentally handicap-ped in the country. But he said that only £10.65 a day was spen on each patient, less than in any other comparable hospital.

The hospital, which has 1,350 patients, is badly understaifed.

THATCHER CAR PELTED

Eggs and tomatoes were thrown at Mrs Margaret Thatcher's car during a jobs protest in the West Country last night. The Prime Minister was given a noisy reception by more than a hundred protesters when she arrived to meet local Conservatives in Warminster. Wiltshire.

A youth was arrested after: tomato hit her car outside the town's assembly hall. The demonstrators included local Labour groups, CND protesters, striking civil servants and jobless teenagers.

Cabinet firm on 7% offer to Civil Service unions

By Our Political Staff.

In the face of threats from some Civil Service leaders for the calling of an all-out, indefinite stoppage in Government services, the Cabinet yesterday decided to stand firm by the "final" 7 per cent offer.

Last night ministers refused to give any indication of the line which Lord Soames Lord President of the Council, who is responsible for the Civil Service, will take in the zalks with union leaders in London today.

At first that was interpreted as an indication that the Government wa slikely to make an improved offer. But that interpretation was discounted later.

Lord Soames will put more emhasis todpay on the offer which the Government has made to negotate a new system for assessing the level of Civil Service pay in future in relation to pay in the private sector. But it seems that he will not budge from the 7 per cent offer for this year.

Mr Barney Hayhoe, Minister of State for the Civil Service told the Commons on Wednes day that the 6 per cent cash ilimit on Civil Service pif would not be breached and the Cabinet agreed yesterday that the basis of the present offer should not be changed.

Felled trees are still 'preserved By a Staff Reporter

A farmer who felted an McMwilliam Battell, the farmer, should remain on the roots and antient woodland before the weekend before served on him lost the state of the weekend before served on him lost the state of the weekend before to get the original to the state of the served a local beauty yesterday.

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Fraud team

By Pat Healy,

Social Services Correspondent

The Government is to con-

tinue its efforts to check fraud and abuse of social security,

at least in the present financial

year. That was made clear yest-erday when Mr. Patrick Jenkin,

Secretary of State for Social

Services, made available the detailed calculations for his

claim that the campaign has saved \$40m in benefits.

the savings may be less than a quarter of the 540m claimed.

The method used shows that

with more freedom proposed

By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent New-style urban prisons are proposed in an unpublished report by an internal Home Office working party. They would be the most open pri-

Prisoners would be given more freedom to go to college and Church, take up sport and recreations and work outside in the town, so becoming more part of the local community. although a workshop would be needed inside as a back-up because of job shortages.

The working party of senior prison department officials

envisages a small prototype holding between 50 and 75

prisoners. "We envisage that up to 10 such prisons could exist eventually, but that would not be before the turn of the cen-

tury," the party says.

The proposal is part of the most radical review of open prisons in Britain since they began experimentally in the 1930s. The report says existing open prisons are in rural areas whereas must of their inmates come from urban

That means there are limitations on the sort of jobs and leisure pursuits available and the prisons are inaccessible for

But the ideas the working party has for greater openness would also apply to existing open prisons. There should be a reduced emphasis on security and control, with greater freedom for prisoners to move out

and in.
The report implies a revolution in thought with the employment of prisoners outside and employers encouraged to think of them as individuals rather than as a distinctive group. They should not be under escort, the report says.
Any prison staff present should be regarded as the prison's representative on the site instead of as supervisor.

Where an inmate from an open prison needs to attend an outside medical appointment and is medically fit to go on his own, he should be allowed beginning to increase the diffi-culties of the National Health to do so, unescorted. Service by attracting the simpler and more straightforward cases, leaving the NHS the more difficult and unpre-

A changed emphasis on participation in outside sports would allow prisoners to join clubs as individuals in suitable cases, which would give more contact than is possible for

Prisoners should be free, the report says, to use the church of their choice and to take part in whatever ectivities the church community is offering. They should be free to attend in civilian clothes and to mix

with the congregation.

There should be no escorts when prisoners go to outside nurses which is partly attri-buted to competition for nurses from private hospitals in central London. colleges or libraries. If a rural library service is limited and there are poor facilities for physical education, the prison symnasium and library could be opened to the local com-In his presidential address to the Institute of Health Service Administrators annual con-ference in Norwich, Mr Kenny munity. Weekend schools at the prison, with inmates and local residents joining in, could said there was evidence in some parts of London that "nursing

be arranged.
Although the Prison Officers' Association is adamant there should be no further concessions on mail censorship, the working party would like to see less of it. The report advocates that all inmates of open prisons should be given access to a pay telephone.

At Kirkbam open prison in

Lancashire prisoners were allowed to use telephones as an experiment, but opposition to the scheme by prison officers effectively stopped it at the end of last year.

SCOTS ISLANDS IN VAT PLEA

The Highlands and Islands Development Board has asked the Government to exempt the Scottish islands from valueadded tax on petrol and diesel. Food prices in the islands were up to 20 per cent higher than in urban aceas and other consumer goods cost up to 30 systems.

The Irish living in South-cast England are five times more likely than their English

neighbours to be admitted to a mental hospital because of

alcoholism.
Immigrants from the Irish

Republic and people who have

come from Northern Ireland

have about twice as many ad-

missions to mental hospitals overall as the average popula-tion born in South-east Eng-

Those statistics, published today in the British Medical

Journal, are part of a compre-

hensive study by the Medico-Social Research Board in

Dublin of admissions to mental

from all parts of Ireland in

South-east England.

Open prisons Dissent likely in Warning by 'Observer' report

By Dan van der Vat

The Monopolies and Mergers of large and long-term invest-Commission is expected to pre-sent its report on Lonrbo's bid for The Observer, Britain's oldest Sunday newspaper, to Mr John Biffen, the Secretary of State for Trade, next week, it

was learnt last night.
After the delivery of the commission's report the Government will need at least two weeks to have it printed and lecide on its response.

If, as seems likely, the com-mission is not unanimously infavour of Lonrho, Mr Biffen's decision could be delayed and made conditional upon detailed safeguards for editorial inde-pendence; however, a sense of urgency is now apparent in commission circles.

The controversial bid for

The controversial bid for the newspaper, initiated by Loorho's chief executive, Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland; was referred to the newspaper panel of the commission by Mr Biffen at the end of March, with instructions to report by the end of this month.

The eight-man panel, chaired by Sir Godfrev Le Quesne, the Director-General of the commission, is understood to have finished gathering evidence in the first half of this week with a final hearing of representations from sources connected tions from sources connected

with the newspaper opposed to the Lourho deal.

Much of the evidence has come from journalists on The come from journalists on The Observer, restifying collectively and individually. Their main concerns have focused upon between the newspaper's reputation in the Third World, particularly Africa, and Lonrho's business interests there; editorial guarantees; and Lonbro's commitments to the paper's future in the form

NHS under

By Nichelas Timmins

The private health sector is

His area has a shortage of 600

have both simpler and more demanding cases on the wards to allow them to operate efficiently.

"There must be limits to

health service which needed to be released for other work, such as primary care, and care of the old, mentally ill and handi-

The Irish most at risk from drink By Our Medical Correspondent

orders were compared with those of the English population, taking account of age and sex.

Admissions among the Irish for alcoholism and alcoholic psy-chosis, were 5.3 times the expected number. Schizophrenia

was more than twice as com-

mon as expected in both men

found to have more mental ill-

ness than the local population three explanations are usually

hospitals. The figures are based on the 1971 census, which more common in some and trade union cooperation to recorded 319,410 immigrants nationalities than others assist such drinkers. "What

migration may be a stressful

In contrast admission rates for alcoholism among immigrants from Germany, Italy, drinkers, according to Dr. Poland and the new Common Douglas Bell, senior employwealth, were lower than for the ment medical adviser of the English. When immigrants are

experience that increases the to do is to look more critically

and women.

put forward.

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said yesterday.

pressure

From Arthur Osman

Lonrho and Mr Rowland made no secret of their opposi-tion to a referral of the takeover to the commission, stating that the uncertainty caused the delay would damage the confidence of advertisers and readers and the morals of the

Everything was done to try within the law to make a referral unnecessary. The original deal was a personal one, concluded between Mr Rowland and Mr Robert Anderson, chairman of the American oil company Atlantic Richfield, the present owner of the paper, for a transfer of shares.

Lumbo was to get all the newspaper's shares in exchange for a 40 per cent stake in George Outram, the Glasgow newspaper publishing subsidiary of Loncho. Later the terms were changed to a 20 per cent slice of Outrams plus £3m in cash.

Then, just as Mr Biffin was

Then, just as Mr Biffin was insisting on a referral to the commission, Mr Rowland announced that he would personally acquire a 50 per cent holding in the Atlantic Richfield subsidiary controlling The Observer. When that too failed

observer. When that too failed to ward off the commission's attentions, Mr Rowland withdrew and Lonrho once again became the bidder.

Lonrho and Mr Rowland have gone out of their way to allay scepticism by offering guarantees on the paper's independence. The main printing unions, convinced that Atlantic Richfield was determined to Richfield was determined to extricate itself from The Observer, have shown a mainly benign arritude to a Lourne

Holidays on offer to ex RAF staff

By David Nicholson-Lord A former jet fighter pilot has appealed to disabled ex-colleagues to come forward so

that he can launch a scheme to provide them with low-cost holidays abroad. Mr Gordon Sykes, who was paralysed from the waist down

dictable acute work, a senior health service administrator after an aircraft accident 17 years ago, hopes for backing if he produces the names of 100 former RAF and WRAF members who would benefit from rent-free holidays in pur-"This quickly results in marked differences, for instance in pressures on nursing staff," Mr David Kenny, administrator of Kensington, Chelsea and Westminster Area Health Authority, said. His authority has the largest concentration of private hospital beds in Britain. His area had a shortest of 500 pose-built bungalows, probably in Tenerife, Cyprus or Florida. But lack of adequate records means that he is less than half

way to his target. Mr Sykes, a BL executive who with the RAF Benevolent Fund. launched the scheme for the International Year of Disabled People: It is aimed at former RAF personnel or dependants with 100 per cent disability. He estimates that there are 4,000 in that category but

since they are not separately staff already experience signifi-cantly greater pressures of work in the NHS than in the private sector."

It was essential, he said, to

since they are not separately listed in government records, he has been able to get in touch with only 39, through word of mouth.

Mr Sykes, of 4. The Motte, Abingdon, Oxfordshire, said yesterday: "It is a cincken and egg situation. I have great hopes of support, from several sources, but I have to prove the need first.

"There must be many people sitting at home thinking they are finished, that they can never do anything again. Once you get them actually to do what the acute service can reasonably withstand, he said. If pushed too far, it would not only create a two-tier acute system, it would also tie up re-sources in the acute side of the

you get them actually to do something, like coping with going away on holiday, they start working for themselves instead of sitting back and waiting for society to do everything for them."

capped.

A sensible balance can be struck between the two sectors, but equally it may easily be waiting for society to do everything for them."

The cost of bungalows designed for people with 100 per cent disability is estimated at £32,000 in Florida and £50,000 in the Canaries. Residents would be provided with nursing and an adapted car and would only pay the cost of food and return air fare. Mr Kenny, who was speaking in a personal capacity, also expressed strong reservations at the Government's examination of insurance-based health food and return air fare.

may be more likely to leave their own country. Some support for the first

explanation comes from the findings that, high as the

admission rates were among

England they are even higher in the Irish Republic itself.

About 75,000 people out of

Executive yesterday.

He was speaking at a press conference in Edinburgh to

launch a paper offering guid-

we are encouraging employers

coroner on old TV sets

People who have old toleris. ion sets which might have suspect insulation, and who wanted to be completely safe, should consider replacing the sets, Dr Richard Whittington, the Birm-ingham coroner, said yesterday. He recorded a verdice of actidental death on Mrs Flora Barton, a widow, aged 87, of Regent Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, who died last December when her nine-year

old rented television set caught fire. She was asphyxiated by carbon monoxide poisoning. Her son, Mr Herbert Barton, said that the colour set was on hire from Visionhire. It had been serviced after he had reported loss of picture and he returned from work later to find the set had imploded and his moth dead in a chair near by.

The inquest heard evidence from two service engineers from

from two service engineers from the hire company. One said that two days before Mrs Barton's death he had replaced a frame panel. Two days later when the ser had failed again another engineer called and replaced the same panel and the line power which was in the high

power waich was in the might voltage input area. The replacement parts were not new and had been taken from other sets and thoroughly

tested. Mr Phillip Eggington, of the Midlands Electericity Board, said that to ensure brightness and delimition of picture there 20,000 volts. Insulation in older sets could deteriorate over the years, leading to arcing. Normally the reasons for arc-

tion of dust or the breakdown
of insulation from old age. He
thought an insulation breakdown was the most likely cause
of the fire.
Mr William Holland, Vision-

hire's area manager, said the set was a Pye CT 73 colour hybrid, which meant it had a mixture of valves and transis-tods. It had been installed in Mrs Barton's home in November, 1974. Since then engineers had been called out 40 simes, but that was not unusual.



Cinderella touch: The glass coach in which Lady Diana Spencer will travel on the royal wedding day. Mr Richard Boland, the coachman, in the driving seat at the Royal Mews; yesterday, dressed like the two footmen in full state livery.

Royal progress in rain or shine

By a Staff Reporter

Buckingham Palace yesterday released details of the carriage procession which will take the Royal Family to and from St Paul's Cathedral for the wedding of the Prince of Wales to Lady Diana Spencer om July 29.

But, aware of the unpredictable nature of the Euglish climate, the Lord Chamberlain's office has drawn up alternative plans for covered carriages in case it rains.

case it rains.

If the weather is fine, Lady

If the weather is time, Lady Diana, travelling with her father, Lord Spencer, in a glass coach pulled by a pair of bay horses, will be the last to arrive at the cathedral for the 11am service, accompanied by an escort of mounted police and willear police. military police.

The Prince, who will travel

in the 1902 state postillion lan-day with Prince Andrew, the

Buckingham Palace yesterday elder of his two supporters, will be escorted by members of the first and second divisions of the Sovereign's Escort. A second open carriage will carry his entourage.
The Queen, in an open semi-

state postilion landau drawn by four grey horses, will be first to arrive, escorted by mounted police and the first, second and third divisions of

the Escort.

She will be accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh and surrounded by a standard party, an escort commander, a field officer of the Escort, the Silver Stick Adjutant and the Silver Stick in Waiting.

After the service, which will last about an hour, the bride and bridegroom will leave St Paul's in the open 1902 state landau drawn by four greys.

With them will be their bridesmaids and pages, travelling in Queen Alexandra's state coach

Queen Alexandra's state coach and the glass coach.

The Queen will travel with Lord Spencer, while the Duke of Edinburgh will be in the second carriage with Mrs Shand Kydd, Lady Diana's mother. The rest of the procession will be made up as before, with the mounted police bringing up the rear.

travel to St. Paul's in the Irish state coach, the Queen Mother in Queen Alexandra's state coach; the bridegroom in the Scottish state coach and the bride in the glass coach. On the return journey the Prince of Wales and the Prin-cess of Wales will travel in the Scottish state coach, drawn by

since actual weekly benefit savings have been multiplied according to assumptions about how much longer those benefits might have continued.

Mr Jenkin also confirmed publicly for the first time that the new specialist claims control procedures, regulations for which were leaked in *The Times*, are intended to be extended from their regional operations to a national system.

.The procedures, which have been criticized as threatening privacy and subjecting virtually all one-parent families to sus-picion of fraud, are being developed in the light of that change, and not because any-thing has gone wrong, Mr Jen-kin said in a statement placed in the House of Commons lib-

The statement outlined the progress made since Mr Jenkin initiated the fraud campaign by adding an extra, 1,050 staff to fraud and abuse work.

Mr Jenkin said that extra staff had not only saved more than £50m at an administrative cost of about £10m since August, 1979. They would also yield 'unquantifiable savings through their deterrent effect. as widening knowledge of the thecks being made countered the temptation towards fraud or abuse.

"Another bonus has been that the detailed returns have given us more insight into how best to tackle fraud and abuse. It would clearly be bad value for money to check the momen-tum now built up and disperse staff who have now become fully effective."

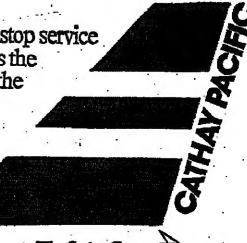
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The Swire Group

Admission rates for the frequency of mental disorders; at their staff, but with alcohol whole range of mental dis- or people with mental disorders in mind," he said. Fabians' ballot sets record

By Ian Bradley -

The Fabian Society has had only those who are eligible for a record response to its ballot on whether members of political parties other than the Labour Party should be eligible for full membership. The ballot, which closes on

Monday, has so far attracted between 2,500 and 3,000 replies from a membership of about 6,000.

The ballot asks whether members would favour a revision in the society's rule so that

membership of the Labour Party can be full members. It was called as a result of the formation of the Social Democratic Party, many of whose members are Fabians. However, the society em-phasizes that rule change would disbar Communist Party members as well as Social Demo-

chairman, said that it was the biggest poll that the society had had in any election size. Results of the ballot, which will be decisive in establishing whether the rule should be changed, will be known on

UNION OPPOSES HOTEL SALE The Associated Society of

Locomotive Engineers and Firemen pledged opposition yesterday to the Government's decision to invite outside investors to take a stake in three British Rail hotels in Scotland (Our Labour Staff writes).

The union at a policy for-ference in London authorized its executive to encourage trade union action at all levels to keep British Rail's profitable operations intact.

The horels are the Glen-eagles, and the North British and Celedonian, both in Edin-

British citizen's 12-year fight to leave Russia

Arthur Raffé, aged 57, a Brish citizen trapped in Moscow,
Moscow air raid in 1941,
year, but his mother took the
American Jews living near by
hich he left as a boy. But after
12-year campaign he has been ground, and he began looking
uned away twice from the
for his real father.

School, Islington, where he won tish citizen trapped in Moscow, wants to return to London wants to return to London which he left as a boy. But after a 12-year campaign he has been turned away twice from the British Embassy by Russian police, who confiscated his police, who confiscated his British passport. Mr Raffé said that each time

Mr Rafte said that each time he was held for over two hours and questioned. Now Mr Michael Holmes, the British Consul, had got his passport

Consul, bad got his passport back for him, but he is no nearer to coming home.

Mr Nikolai Ouspensky, press attache at the Soviet Embassy in London, said he had no knowledge of the case but confirmed that permission would have to be obtained from the local be obtained from the local authority in Russia for a visit to Britain. But even if Mr Raffé were a Russian citizen, that alone would not preclude him

from leaving.

Mr Raffe's story is less reassuring. He has been trying to come to Britain, first as a visi-tor, then to live, since 1968, after a period in Lubyanka prison and a labour camp and after finally convincing the British authorities he was who he said he was, they gave him

He was taken to Russia as a child be his mother to live with father after her marriage broke up. He discovered the truth after the death of David Shkar-

. His first success came when His first success came when he casually looked in a reference book in a library in 1942 and found there the name of W. G. Raffe, who turned out to be a well known artist of his time and an expert in the historical study of the dance.

But his contact with foreigners in search of his father got him into trouble. He was arrested in 1951 on a charge of spying, which was later changed to one of anti-Soviet agitation. He said: "I had told some foreigners I had been having a hard time in the

He was held in the Lubyanka for six to seven months, and then sent to a corrective labour camp at Kargopol, near Archangel. He was released in 1955, two years after Stalin's death. After he got friends to look through London telephone directories his 20-year search for his father came to an end. But he found that he had died

two years before. The story he pieced together was as follows. He was born to W, G. Raffé and his wife (née Frances Solomons) on January 28, 1924, in Calcutta, His father, principal of the Lucknow College of Art, came back with

School, Islington, where he won violin scholarships from the Guildhall School of Music and Guildhall School of Music and London County Council. In the summer of 1935 he was taken at the age of 111 to the Soviet Union by his mother to join Mr Shkarovsky, who had preceded them there.

His mother died in Moscow in 1935 and his real father remarried. Now a translator in Russia, Mr Raffé tells, in excellent English with traces of a London

decent, how he is still, be devilled by bureaucracy.

He has been trying to reject Russian citizenship and come to Russian cluzenship and come to Britain ahead of his wife to set up home, but he needs a character reference from his place of work, signed by the party organizer, the trade union organizer, and the manager, with an official seal from the

with an official seal from the organization.

But they do not wish to give it to him, because he is a free-lance, not a full-time employee. He has appealed for help to President Brezhnev, the Praesidium of the Supreme Soviet, the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

A week ago, he says, the

A week ago, he says, the British Embassy sent yet an-other application on his behalf.

No return for Czech dissident

By John Witherow

Dr Julius Tomin, the Oxford philosopher, has been deprived of his Czechoslovak citizenship because of comments he made show Poland last year.

a year, as has occurred with other dissidents.

Dr Tomin, aged 42, left Czechoslovakia after police harassment had forced him to character worfficial seminars. about Poland last year.

The Czechoslovak embassy told Dr Tomin last week that he and his wife, a former member of the Charter 77 human rights group, could not return to the country because of state-ments they had made to the BBC and The Times, saying that the strikes in Poland would "pour pride" into Czechoslovak workers.

The couple and their two children had been granted a five-year exit visa last August for Dr Tomin to lecture in ancient Greek philosophy at Balliol College. Charter 77 sources said at the time that it was likely their citizenship would be revoked after about

FILM PRODUCER ON CAR DEATH CHARGE

Ricardo di Tommaso, aged 39, film producer, of Mulberry Trees, Shepperton, was yesterday accused at Feltham of

abandon unofficial seminars, known as the "Patocka university", in which he in-vited foreign academics to lecture at private flats in Prague. Three Oxford dons, including Dr Anthony Kenny, the Master of Balliol College, and Dr William Newton-Smith, a senior tutor, have been expelled from Czechoslovakia, for delivering

papers at the seminars.
Dr Tomin has appealed against the removal of citizen-In a document released to the

Times Higher Education Supplement, he denied that he

the country and planned one

day to return.

"It is my duty to return. I make no conditions and I know returning to Prague will never be returning to paradise. But Oxford has invested so much priceless learning in me and there are hardly any Greek reading scholars in Czechoślo-yakia. I must share this learn-

ing."

Before leaving Czechoslovakia Dr Tomin signed a statement saying that he would not engage in anti-Czechoslovak or engage in anti-czecnosiovak or anti-socialist activities white abroad, but activities white abroad, but added a proviso that he could only harm the country's interest by not behaving or thinking freely.

He has since been careful not to make inflammatory statements and was particularly circumspect in his comments pub-

X-ray test on Asian children is condemned

By Lucy Hodges

The practice of examining Asian children with X-rays to find out their ages before they come to Britain is condemned today as inaccurate and dan-gerous by Lord Avebury, the Liberal peer.

A 21-page study prepared by Mr Edward White, Lord Ave-

bury's research assistant, of Yale University, and published today, calls for a ban on the practice. It says the Yellowlees report, commissioned by the Government into the medical testing of immigrants, skim-med blindly over the issue. "The Yellowlees report con-tains no limitations or safe-

guard recommendation which show either an understanding of any of the issues involved or a concern for the people the report affects," the study says.
The report by Sir Henry
Yellowlees was undertaken
after protests about an Asian woman who had been subjected to a virginity test, and about bone X-ray examinations. Those X-rays are carried out only on Asian children when immigration officials are in doubt about their age.

The Yellowiees report concluded that it was ethical to make X-ray examinations to estimate bone age and that it was a useful, fairly accurate

and acceptably safe method. The study disputes that.
Its findings are endorsed by an ad-hoc committee drawn from the British Medical Association, the Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants, the United Kingdom Immigrants Advisory Service, the Trade Union Congress and regional

heaith authorities.
The Avebury study says there is no safe level of radiation exposure and that bone X-ray examinations to determine age are inaccurate.

Bone X-ray tests measure skeletal age and are used by doctors to see whether children's bone growth is relatively advanced or retarded for their age. They are used to assess maturity, not children's chrono-

logical age.

A child with a bone age of 11 could have an actual age of between nine and 13. The report says the examinations on Asian children are being used to measure something for which they were not designed.

There is, therefore, a wide margin of error which is comwas an enemy of the Czechoslowas regime and said he still
cumspect in his comments published in The Times last year.

Western world.

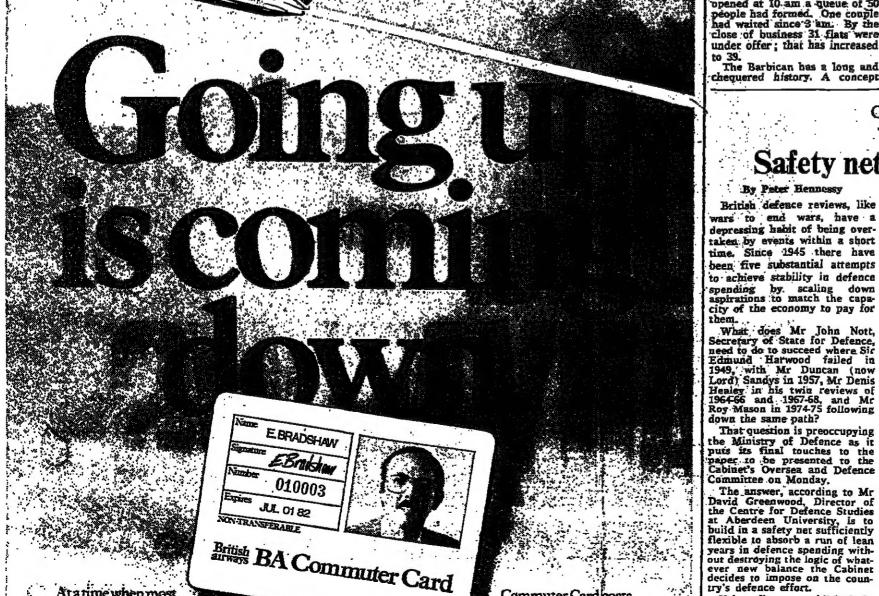
Stansted not necessary, airline says

By.a Staff Reporter

Building a fifth terminal at Heathrow Airport, instead of greatly expanding Stansted, in Essex, would make better sense commercially and environmentally and would save the tax.

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It's probably already

causing the death by reckless driving of Mr Donald Ranger, aged 49, managing director of the Heron Motor Corporation, of The Avenue, Sunbury, Middless, in January. Mr di Tommaso was given unconditional bail.

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people had formed. One couple had waited since 3 am. By the close of business 31 flats were under offer; that has increased

chequered history. A concept

Rooms with a view



The vista from a five-bedroom tower penthouse flat at the

£500,000 council flat goes on sale

By Baren Phillips

Britain's most expensive for building a huge residential development on the edge of the development on the edge of the council-owned property is likely Second World War when the attract as much attention and london was being reconstructive among the well-to-do ter after the damage it professional classes. council flats go on sale this wtekend. No other sale of council-owned property is likely te attract as much attention and interest among the well-to-do professional classes.

The sale is of flats in tower blocks rising above the City of London only a brisk walk from the Bank of England and the nation's financial heart. The the Bank of England and the There were political clashes nation's financial heart. The within the City Corporation blocks form part of the Barbican Centre developed by the County Council over the City of London Corporation during the 1960s. ing the 1960s.

For a mere £500,000 a specious five-bendroom penthouse flat with panoramic views of London can be purchased. Or if that price tag is likely to make your bank manager's heart miss a beat or two then more modest three-bedroom flats are available for between £80,500 to £140,000.

It seems the inevitable has

finally come to be. After the 1980 Housing Act the City of London Corporation has been pushed into allowing sitting or the Barbican.

About 5,500 people live in pushed into allowing sitting or the 2,011 flats which make up secured tenants to buy their the Barbican. The accommodation varies from hedelessare sive council flats are vacant and the second part of the Barbican.

them to be occupied.

Interest in the flats, originally designed for middle and high income families, has been intense. On Sunday when the estates department's doors opened at 10 am a queue of 50

to 39. The Barbican has a long and

British defence reviews, like

Its upper limit postulates a relatively benign Chancellor of

the Exchequer allowing an annual growth in the defence budget of about It per cent over the coming decade. The lower line traces an expenditure

path of just under one per cent

Using figures that Mr Green-

But it took almost a decade to get the scheme onto the architects drawing board.

ally started towards the end of 1959 and the residential heart of the Barbican was completed in 1975. One of the reasons the cor-

poration is selling off this first branche of 100 flats is to help pay off the interest charges on the Barbican development which are running at between £3.5m and £3.75m a year. It cost the corporation £50m to build the residential part of

To buy one of the luxurious penthouses with their superb views across London you not only need £500,000 cash it will also cost the buyer almost £150 a week simply to carry on living there in rates and service charges. Even in the more modest three-bedroom flats in Cromwell Tower near by, which self for £80,000, will cost an additional £60 a week to maintain.

Getting defence review right

Safety net to absorb the lean years

DEFENCE BUDGET PROJECTIONS

Lothian council to lose £53m grant

From Ronald Faux, Edinburgh

Cuts in the rate support grant of more than 263m for seven Scortish local authorities were announced yesterday by Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland. The Lothian Regional Council was warned that it would face a grant reduction of 253m because of excessive and unreasonable spending plans.

Six district councils affected

Six district councils affected by the Government's tough measyrne Government's tough measures to curb local government spending are Renfrew (£3.8m cut), Dundee (£2.75m), East Lothian (£1.35m), Stirling (£1.25m), Dumbarton (£750.000) and Cumnock and Door and Cumnock and Doon (£450,000).

The miscellaneous provisions
Bill for Scottish local government will shortly receive royal
assent and will oblige the local
authorities warned by the Secretary of State to make a formal reply. Asser that a report will be laid before Parliament, seek-ing approval to cut the rate support grant.

The severity of the action in Lothian region was greater than had been expected and Labour politicians on the council were yesterday regarding the warning as a long way from being a final demand by the Government,

Mrs Phyllis Herriot, leader of the Labour group on the council, said she was extremely angry at the scale of the cuts, which could cause the loss of which could cause the loss of thousands of jobs and the decimation of local government services. Trade unions would be among those consulted in deciding what action to take.

'Under the Bill the Secretary
of State will have power to reduce the rate support grant if
he was satisfied that an
authority planned to incur an excessive and unreasonable level of expenditure. The letters issued yesterday gave the councils a last chance to revise their budgets before Mr Younger sought parliamentary approval to impose cuts.

'The rate support grant covers more than 60 per cent of the spending by the local authori-ties in Scotland.

authorities as well.

The Convention of Scottish Local Authorities is opposed to the Government's policy on local authority spending. It points out that in real terms spending in Scotland has been reduced from £2,600m in 1975 to 1976 to a present level of just over £2,000m.

In the same period central

In the same period central government had increased its spending and had a much worse record at meeting budgetary

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The guidelines used by the Government for local authority spending bad turned into mandatory levels arrived at without negotiation.

negotiation.

Mr Ronald Young, of Strathclyde Regional Council, vesterday described the powers in
the Bill as thoroughly
dangerous to the whole notion
of local government. Central
government he said, was miving in to tell individual local authorates what they should be spendding and effectively taking over the decision-making in local government.

He said that all but six of

the 65 Scottish authorities were over the guidelines.

The newly elected Labour administration of one of the country's most marginal country councils, delivered a shock to its ratepayers (our Bristol Correspondent writes). Mr William Graves, head of Avon County Council, announced a supple-mentary rate that will add \$20 to the average bills of local

council.

INQUIRY ON WEIR DROWNINGS

A council announced yesterday that is to investigate safety measures at the weir near Newark, Nottinghamshire, in which two people drowned in a cabin accident on Wednesday. Councillor Michael Cowan, eader of Newark district council, said that a public inquiry six years ago recommended placing a chain across the weir after 12. Scottish soldiers had been swept to their deaths, but the chain was never erected.

internal inquiry had been ordered, and that a police report was awaited. The two people who drowned on Wednesday were Mrs Chris-tine Sloan, aged 34, and Mr

Keith Hood, aged 37, from Ashford Kent. is more; Assirora, Kent.

Mrs. Sloan's two children, ar by, Anita, aged 12, and Simon.

vill cost aged 13, were rescued and taken to hospital, where Simon is in a critical condition.

A boy of 15 from Crowthorne, Berkshire, who caused an Exeter hotel to be evacuated after threatening a porter with

Mayor spubs Maxwell

Mr. Henry Nimmo, Oxford's Labour Lord Mayor, has declined an invitation to a reception given by Mr Robert Maxwell, the publisher, tomorrow. He refuses to cross a picket line of journalists who are on strike at Mr Maxwell's Pergamon Press.

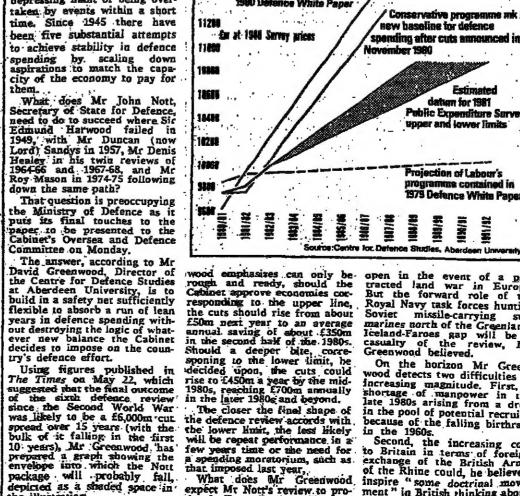
Raiders dragged Mr Ayub Ali Shah from his home and forced him at gunpoint to hand over about £20,000 from his post office at Dagenham. Essex, early yesterday. One of the gang stayed behind and guarded Mr Shah's sleeping wife and children.

Soldier feared dead

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The closer the finel shape of the defence review accords with the lower limit, the less likely will be repeat performance in a few years time or the need for a spending moratorium, such as that imposed last year,

What does fur Greenwood expect Mt Nott's review to produce? For all the minister's assurances that it is not a straight choice between a continental or a maritime

what does Mr Greenwood expect Mr Nort's review to produce? For all the minister's assurances that it is not a straight choice between a continental or a maritime strategy he says that is what it is about.

Clearly the Trident deterrent will survive as will the air defence of the United Kingdom. Some capacity will, remain for keeping the western approaches

Some capacity will remain for keeping the western approaches

open in the event of a pro-tracted land war in Europe. But the forward role of the Royal Navy task forces hunting Soviet missile-carrying sub-marines north of the Greenland-Iceland-Faroes gap will be a casualty of the review, Mr Greenwood believed.

Greenwood believed.
On the horizon Mr Greenwood detects two difficulties of increasing magnitude. First, a shortage of manpower in the late 1980s arising from a drop in the pool of potential recruits, because of the falling birthrate in the 1960s.
Second, the increasing cost to Britain in terms of foreign exchange of the British Army, of the Rhine could, he believes, inspire "some doctrinal move-

ratepapers.

Speaking at his administration's first press conference since coming to power, Mr Graves said that it had no alternative but to levy the additional rate to carry out its election promises and comply with government cuts.
With only £1m in hand it had to impose a supplementary rate of hetween 8p and 10p to raise the £10m needed to run the IN BRIEF

New organ donor card launched A new plastic organ denor

card was launched vesterday by the Department of Health and Social Security. Twelve million will be distributed through chemists shops, doctors and the Royal National Institute

for the Blind.
The cards specify which organs the carrier offers for transplant after death, replacing a number of cardboard

Inter-city flights

Dan-Air are to operate a new service between Newcastle upon Tyne and Aberdeen on Saturdays Fares start from 522. Another service will operate between Newcastle and Jersey every Sunday with fares from £33.

Murder charge

Anthony Frank Pattison, aged 27, a warehouse manager, of St Mary's Mount, Wyke, Bradford, was remanded in custody for a week when he appeared before Bradford magistrates yesterday, accused of murdering Anne-Marie Hamilton, aged five, also of Wyke.

Crossbow boy order

a crossbow, was placed under supervision for three years by magistrates at a juvenile court in Bracknell, Berkshire, yester-

Pergamon Press. Post office raid

A rifleman in the Royal Green Jackets was feared drowned yesterday after getting into difficulties while swimming. Two friends were unable to pull him from the lake at Llyn Cwnorthin, Blaenau.

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Substantial signs of rising productivity

Continuing progress in the reduction, of unit labour costs and the achievement of reasonable pay sattlements was still the most effective contribution that could be made towards an expansion of investment and output, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said at question time in the Commonts.

Mr Kenneth Woolmer (Batley and Morley, Lab) asked when the Chancellor expected capital investment in the United Kingdom to start rising again. start rising again.

Sir Geoffrey Howe replied that the latest intentions inquiry by the Department of Industry Into fixed investment by manufacturing, distributive and service industries points to a recovery in the volume of investment next year. There were substantial signs of rising productivity throughout British industry.

Mr Woolmer: Has be seen the official publication British News, which shows that his Government which shows had been of manufacturing investment from the Labour Government? CBI's latest monthly report

The CBI's latest monthly report shows that investment in manufacturing fell last year, will fall by 15 per cent this year and fall again next year. Is this not a deplorable record?

When will be accept that it is his policies that are causing this destruction of our manufacturing destruction of our manufacturing base? He must change his policies and rebuild investment in indus-

try or resign. Sir Geoffrey Howe: He gives a distorted picture of what is hap-pening. It is true that there has been a reduction in investment last year and this year, but there is likely to be a reversal of that

It: is also important to take to to account when looking at surveys of business opinion that since the end of last year there has been an upward movement of bust-pess confidence, as expressed in surveys in The Financial Times as well as by the CBI.

Mr Richard Wainwright (Coine Valley, L): When will his change of mind on the financing of capi-tal investment by British Telecom followed by a change of mind British Rail, the National Coal-Board, the Post Office and sewer-age authorities? Sir Geoffrey Howe: There is no

question of any change of mind. The autouncement by the Minister of State for Industry in relation to British Telecom investment was an announcement for a planned in-creaes in relation to profitable

TREASURY

found of Geofthe time as in 1975. Over the next three years it is going to rise from the first mind the factorial forms of the factorial forms of the factorial forms of the are the financial resources available. investment within existing pro-

able. Mr Robin Cook, an Opposition spokesman on Treasury affairs (Edinburgh Central, Lab): How does he reconcile his answer on the CBI survey with the conclu-sion of the earlier survey that over half the firms surveyed will be investing less next year than last

year?

How does he expect us to achieve the leaner and more competitive industry he is always promising, on the basis of falling industry? Sir Geoffrey Howe: All these

Sir Geoffrey Howe: All these changes take place at different times in relation to each other. The reality is that there are substantial signs of rising productivity through British industry reported from many companies. Still the most effective contribution that can be made towards an expansion of investment and output is continuing progress in the reduction of unit labour costs and the achievement of reasonable and the achievement of reasonable pay settlements. Mr Joel Barnett (Heywood and Royton, Lab): There is a case for allowing a higher public sector borrowing requirement to finance

Geoffrey Howe: That is one of the cases that can be made. But it is universally acknowledged that significant locrease in the any significant increase in the scale of public sector borrowing is likely to have an upward effect on the level of interest rates. We must consider the effect of that on the prospect for investment in the prospect sector. private sector.
Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister.

increased capital investment in the

Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, in other exchanges, said that if the country was to have increased capital expenditure, it had to have reduced current expenditure. She was replying to Mr Lawrence Cunliffe (Leigh, Lab) who said that the latest unemployment figures reflected a grave and fast deteriorating situation which meant more misery and distress for the people.

Will she consider, since the British people are demanding that

been given.

Lord Bellwin: It would be fair to say what Lord Mishcon has read out is indeed what Mr Fowler sald in the Commons, but the Secretary of State's consent is required to the acquisition of the hotels. It is

also right to say the proposal is still the subject of informal discus-

sions between advisers to Eritish Rail and the potential investors.

Lord Mishcon: Is he now saying that what he said before, namely

that the ministerial consent was not required, was inadvertently wrong? How did Lord Bellwin dist-inguish between acquisition and purchase in ordinary English.

Lord Bellwin: The Secretary of State's consent is required to the

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Underhill: House treated with disdain.

acquisition of the shareholdings. Presumably, he can give that consent only when the details are known. So far as I am aware the actual details of the transaction are not finalised.

The amendment was negatived.

The report stage was adjourned.
The Licensing (Amendment) Bill, which amends the Licensing Act 1964 in relation to special hours

The Fisheries Bill, which estab-lishes a Sea Fish Industry Anth-ority to promote efficiency in the industry, and provides the industry with financial assistance, com-pleted its remaining stages.

New company

Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Transport, announced details of the methods to be used to establish the new company to

operate the Glencagles Hotel, Perthshire and the North British and Caledonian Hotels in Edin-

stake in the new company.
British Transport Hotels will rea-lize £5.75m from the transaction and an additional £4.5m shares and

Had the Board decided to sell the

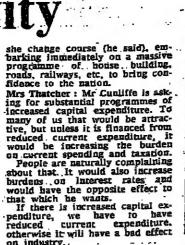
three hotels outright, they have been professionally advised that

the total market price might have been £12.73m. The discount arises because the sales is not outright. I do not recognize the figure of £4m quoted as the discount on the price

by Mr John Prescott, (Kingston-upon-Hull East, Lab) yesterday, nor his figure of loss of income.

Gleneagies

to run



Households are much better off

There was no prospect of reducing taxes unless the Opposition supported a reduction in public expenditure, Sir Geoffrey Howe. Chaucellor of the Exchequer, said during questions. However, he said, the real disposable income of households was now substantially higher than under the Labour Government.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, asked by Mr David Winnick (Walsall, North, Lab) what plans he had to reduce the levels of maxiton, replied: The burden of taxation will be reduced

burden of taxation will be reduced as soon as the economic circumstances allow.

Mr Winnick: In view of the Tory manifesto pledge at the last election that income tax would be cut at all levels, can be explain why a married couple with two children on average earnings is now paying considerably more in income tax as well as in indirect taxation?

Why did not the manifesto tell the truth and say simply that it would only be the rich and those with high earnings who would benefit from Tory tax cuts?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: The position is Sir Geoffrey Howe: The position is not as he has described. The recent Budget imposed the largest tax increases on those with the ighest incomes.
Real after tax incomes between

1977-80 rose by 17 per cent and, even after taking account of the tax burden as it now stands, all households are considerably better Mr Peter Shore, Chief Opposition



Howe : Incomes up

ney and Poplar, Lab): What are the facts about the increased burden of taxation? Is it, or is it not, the case that it has increased for the great mass of people at work, taking account of pational insurance contributions, during the period in which he has been responsible for our affairs? responsible for our affairs?
Sir Geoffrey Howe: The facts are clear. During the time when national production has not been growing, the percentage burden of tax on income has increased, and there is no mystery about that.

That fact has to be viewed in the context of the rise in real personal incomes which has otherwise taken place. Putting those two things alongside one another, then for the great balk of households real disposable personal income is substantially higher this year than when, the Labour Party was in power.

Interest rates now among lowest

United Kingdom short-term interest rates are now among the lowest in industrialized countries, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said during questions about the level of interest rates.

The Chancellor pointed out that minimum lending rate had been reduced by 5 per cent since last summer to its present level

Mr Stanley Newens (Harlow, Lab): Do not international pres-sures for a rise in British interest rates demonstrate the tendency of monetarism and monetarist policies



to plunge this economy, which is already depressed, into further depression?

Will he give a categorical assurance that he will resist any pressures for a further rise in interest. rates, whatever the properties of the properties of the properties of the properties. messages he receives from Fried-manite oracles?

Sir Geoffrey Howe (East Surrey, C): It is not my practice to make predictions about interest rate developments, still less to give pledges. But if we were to suffer the imposition of the £5,000m increase in borrowing that would follow from amendments moved by the Labour Party to the Finance Eill or the £10,000m increase in borrowing urged by increase in borrowing urged by Mr Deads Healey, Deputy Leader of the Opposition, this would send inflation soaring.

Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch and Lymington, C): Bearing in mind that in this country the rise in interest rates is less than in most of our industrial competitors, and inflation is falling while it rises in most of our competitors, what is it about these facts that the Labour Party find so objectionable? tionable?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: I cannot understand it and I share his sense of mystification. or mysuncaton.

Mr Douglas Jay (Wandsworth,
Eatterses, North, Lab): To be
fair to the Chanceller, if the
object of his policy has been to
reduce production and investment, to increase unemployment
and to damage British industry,
has he not been outstandingly
successful?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: That question and his judgement of fairness does less than credit to himself.

Powell wrong except in logic interest rates. So far they have gone down from 17 per cent to 12 per cent and that has been a very great advantage for commerce and industry in this country. The record shows that this party and Government have done a joily sight better than his. (Conservative cheers.)

The reduction of interest rates from 17 per cent to 12 per cent to 12 per cent to 12 per cent to 12 per cent and that has been a great advantage to industry and commerce, Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during exchanges in which several aspects of economic policy were questioned. Mr Aifred Dubs (Wandsworth, Bartersea, South, Lab) began then by asking: Will the Prime Minister consider the views expressed at yesterday's National Economic Development Council by the TUC. CBL. National Economic Develop.

Mr Thatcher: No. It is a change economic policy were questioned.

Mr Aifred Dubs (Wandsworth, Bantersea, South, Lab) began then by asking: Will the Prime Minister consider the views expressed at yesterday's National Economic Development Council by the TUC, CBI, National Economic Development Office, and the chairmen of the varionalized industries? Can she explain why her Government will not allow nationalized industries to take advantage of all profitable basetment opportunities?

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Mrs Thatcher: If the nationalized industries were profitable they would have many investment opportunities. The real problem arises because the nationalized industries are not profitable, do not get a return on their resources, and if they go to the market to borrow money the vast majority need a Government guarantee and without that they would be hopeless at gisting the money.

Mr. Anthony Beanmont-Dark less at getting the money.

Mr. Anthony. Beaumont-Dark (Birmingham. Selly Oak, C): Will the Prime Minister recall the moans and groams of the TUC and CBI in November when the pound was at \$2.52? Now that the pound has come back to \$1.95 has she heard from the CBI and TUC about the opportunity that now gives them to compete?

Mrs. Thatcher: The answer is

Mrs. Thatcher: The answer is "No". When the pound is high it means that the imports of raw materials are low; when the pound is low it means we are comparitive in exports.

Mr Enech Powell (South Down, Off UU): Has Mrs Thatcher had are comparitive to consider the any opportunity to consider the logical necessity, for the purpose of eliminating inflation, of attempting to reduce the real remutera-tion of those in public non-commercial employment?

hirs Thatcher I understand what he is saying. In strict academic logic, disregarding the numbers in the public sector, the need for capital expenditure, capital equipment, levels of taxation and levels of interest, as a manufacture of the population of the populat interest rate and logic, Mr Powell is right. In everything else he is

wrong.

Mr Nicholas Lyell (Hemel Hempstead, C): Will she take the opportunity to point out the beneficial affects the wise policles of restraint on spending and borrowing are having on our current rates of interest?

Will she also take the opportunity to confirm that it is berintention that those interest rates should contime to go down for the should continue to go down for the benefit of our manufacturers? Alls Thatcher: If there is to be a tremendous demand for increasing public expenditure which is in any way to be met, it would have a bad effect on.

The Government had shown its

Mrs Thatcher: No. It is a change in the level of public spending. The fact is that even through boom periods, the level of public spending in Britain has been high as a proportion of national product.

Government have done more on EEC

Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition. whe rose to loud cheers, called upon the Prime Linister to assist the House and the country by clearing up the apparent deep confusion—(Canservative laughter)—revealed out the front page of The Times between the Foreign Secretary (Lord Carrington) and the Chancellor of the Exchequer (Sir Geoffrey Howe) on the important question of negotiations, or possible negotiations, with the EEC. Does she agree with the sible negotiations, with the EEC.

Does she agree with the apparent view of the Chancellor (he went on) that there is little prospect of fundamental budgetary reform in the EEC?

Does that not mean, if it is the case, that Britain is going to remain the largest net contributor to the EEC for the foresceable future and, indeed, that the burden is likely to increase in the period abead?

Mrs Thatcher : Mr Foot asked me to clear up confusion. Britain is not the largest net contributor to the EEC. Germany is by far the largest net contributor to the EEC. We are the second net largest contributor, and a long way from Germany's net contribution. There is no disagreement be-tween the Tressury and the Foreign Office. I am the First Lord of the Tressury and do most of the negotiations with Europe and I am not disagreeing with myself. (Conservative laughter and

her determination not to leave negotiations to her colleagues. Can she tell when in these nego-tiations, if she is in charge of them, will she carry out the resolu-tion manimously put through the House of Commons in November 1979 and on some other occasions which underlines the view of the House that this country should not be a net contributor as she

the resolution unanimously passed by the House of Commons for which she voted? which she voted?
Mrs. Thatcher: We have done about £700m a year better than the Labour Party. That is not a bad start, (Renewed cheers.)

Beer not being priced out of reach

The contention that increases in duty were pricing the pint of beer out of the working man's pocket could be disproved. Mr Nigel Lawson, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, said, by venturing into any public house. Mr Robert Parry (Liverpool, Scot-land Exchange, Lab) complained that the price had increased more in the United Kingdom than in any other EEC country, excluding the Republic of Ireland. Mr Lawson (Blaby, C): The increase in the duty on beer over the first three Budgers of this Government of 70 per cent needs to be put ifto perspective with the first three spring Budgets of Mr Denis Healey, the then Chancellor of the Excheques, when the beer duty was increased by 130 per cent. (Conservative

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The beer duty in real terms is today below the level at which it stood in 1976. Mr Nicholas Winterton (Maccles-field, C): As the non-executive chairman of Camra Real Al-luvestment Ltd. may I say that beer is one of the great tradi-tions of the United Kingdom, (Cheers.) The duty has been in-creased more on beer and less on wine in order to soak up the wine lake that has developed in Europe. We are placing many brewery workers out of jobs in this country and are almost pricing beer out of the reach of the ordinary man and (Laughter and cheers.) Mr Lawson: There is no evidence Mr Lawson: Incre is no evidence whatever that any jobs lost in the brewing industry over the past year have been as a result of the increase in the duty or beer. There have been other reasons for that.

In the Rudger we also in. In the Budget we also in-creased the duty on wines and

Parliament today Commons (9.30): Motion o salaries and allowances. (11): Industrial Diseases

HOUSE OF LORDS

Nothing sinister about sale of railway hotels which was that no ministerial con-sent was required and none had been given.

TRANSPORT BILL

There was nothing sinister in the fact that the Government had ector company the day before the Transport Bill started its commit-tee stage in the Lords, Lord Bell-win, Under Secretary of State for There were existing powers to

pose in mind and in practice had been used in a limited way. Lord Bellwin was replying to Lord Undehill who, speaking for the Opposition, at the start of the com-nitree stage of the Bill, said he wanted to make the most emphatic protest at the agnouncement about the sale of three subsidiaries of British Rail just before the Lords started in the committee stage. Mr Norman Fowler, the Secretary of Stare for Transport, had stated that British Rail already had these powers, but if this was correct, why bring forward provisions in

this Bill giving British Rallways Board power to provide for the disposal as they thought fit of the whole or any part of their subsidiaries? Where in the Conservative Party Where in the Conservative Party manifesto at the last election was there any reference to the disposal of British Rail subsidiaries? The relevant clause in the Bill neither named any particular subsidiary nor limited the subsidiaries that might be dealt with. He moved an amendment to delete the provision.

There had been no previous reference to there being legislation on the statute book to enable the sale of subsidiaries to take place before this Bill had even passed through Parliament. Nor had reference been made at second reading. It was treating the Lords with disdain that they should learn of

Lord Beliwin said the Government and the board had agreed what the policy should be. They were clear about the goal at which they were aiming, namely to put this bu into the private sector where their future would be determined not by external pressures and restraints, but by their own performance.

The Government had accepted that the best way to proceed was for the board to take the lead and pur forward proposals. On the announced sale of hotels, although earlier powers seemed to be sufficient in the Transport Act, be sufficient in the Transport Act, 1962, it was not enacted with the present purpose in mind. Rather than relying on such a power, it seemed right to the Government to put the matter beyond doubt by including a new power in this Bill designed for the present purpose. In this way Parliament's intentions would be clear.

would be clear.

The powers were there and there had been precedents. It would not be right with matters of this kind which had commercial implications that they should be subject to the timing of the bringing forward of a Bill today when powers already existed.

the scope and use of existing powers. It had decided on the sale of Gieneagles and other hotels and this was a matter for them. The consent of the Secretary of State

say he did not have a copy of Hansard, but The Times Parliamentary report quoted Mr Fowler as saying in the Commons: "A nor nistigate of loss of income shareholding of this kind requires. Arrangements for the future trading consent and on the material ing of shares in the company or available to me. I am ready to the sale of its assets are a matter consent to such an acquisition".

That runs completely contrary to trad-investors; including, under this what Lord Bellwin said just now arrangement, British Rail.

Higher registration tees soon

NATIONALITY BILL

No individual should be precluded from gerting British citizenship because of their lack of means, Mr John Tilley, an Opposition spokes-man on home affairs, said at the opening of the third day of the British National Mr 1919 British Nationality stage.

He moved an amendment which

would require the Covernment to bring before the Commons any proposals to increase the fees for registration on naturalisation He said the present costs were \$50 for registration and £150 for the longer process of naturalisa-tion. The Opposition was con-cerned that these fees would be unduly increased over the next

unduly increased over the next few years and create undue hardship.

There had been some indications that the nationality division of the Home Office had prepared proposals for the level of fees but ministers had decided not to make them public until the Bill had gone through the House. The Opposition believed that there should be a £50 fee for registration and naturalisation and that it should increase in line, with the cost of living. sation and that it snows, in line with the cost of living.

in line with the cost of living.

The Opposition wanted British nationality to be open to all those who qualified for it, but not open like, the Savoy-was open to all; open only as a price which as it now stood—and the Government, intended to raise it in order to palance the books— the majority of people who would qualify could not afford.

Mr Jeros Savingor (Browley Orne) not afford.

Mr Ivor Stanbrook (Bromley, Orpington, C) said he rejected the special pleading implicit in the amendment. British cirizenship was like a precious jewel, beyond compare, and those people who under this law would be entitled to apply.

for it were lucky to be in such a for it were lucky to be in such a position.

Therefore it was impossible to set a sufficient price upon a privilege like this. Any economic price set must be the one which dictated the

Mr Thomas Cox (Wandsworth, Tooting, Lab) said the present cost of nationality presented enormous problems to many families. The cost was £150 but there was 10 figure might not go up consider-

ably.

Mr William Whitelaw, the Bome Secretary (Pemrith and the Border, C), said it had been made clear by the Government that it was its policy to recover as far aspossible through fees the administrative costs of a nationality application. They were a long way from achieving this objective at present. Further increases in fees were Further increases in fees increases.

He took the view that while one must seek to keep the costs down as much as possible there came a point when it was reasonable to ask people to pay a considerably larger percentage of the costs than they were doing at the moment for acquiring British citizenship. they were moving to the negative resolution procedure. This was an advance because there would now be an opportunity to debate the fees.
The amendment was rejected by 264 votes to 225—Government

majority, 39. Mr Anthony Marlow (Northampton, North, C) moved an amendment to delete a paragraph in the Bill requiring any discretion vested miss jo Richardson (Barking, Lao)

State, a Governor or Lieutenant
Governor to be exercised without
regard to the race, colour or religion of any person who might be
affected by its exercise.

This is not (he said) because I oppose the sentiments of the subsection. I do not think anybody

Miss jo Richardson (Barking, Lao)
moved an amendment to give an illegitimate child the same rights to derive citizenship from its cather as a legitimate child. Under the Bill the relationship of a father to a child was to be taken to exist only between a man and a legitimate child born to him.

Mr. Raison said he sympathized for in the cash limits and had thus could oppose the sentiments. It with the purpose of the amend budgeted for 12 cash excess of in the Bill in the Secretary of

was because the subsection was nonsense and had not a scintilla of effect on the law of the land or the application of that law. It was purely verbiage, a sop to the noisy, uninformed critics of the Bill. It was pure preaching and exhor-tation which was acceptable in a pulpit but absurd in an Act of Parliament.

Parliament.

This was not a racialist Bill so there was no need to introduce this provision and the Government should have left well alone.

Mr Rey Hattersley, Opposition spokesman on home affairs (Birmingham, Sparkbrook, Lab), said that while the Bill would bear with disproportionate force on the ethnic minorities, he had no doubt that it was not the Government's intention that it should operate in that way. It had never been his purpose to accuse the Government purpose to accuse the Government or the Home Secretary of racialist intentions. What the Bill ought to do was to

allay the fears of the racial minorities, and this clause in some small measure achieved that desirable

objective.

Mr Timothy Raison, Minister of State, Home Office (Aylesbury, C), said he could not recommend the acceptance of the amendment because it would remove a provision which had a useful role to play, not least in reassuring those ethnic minorities in the country play, not least in reasouring mose ethnic minorities in the country who had expressed fears and anxieties about the Bill.

The Government did not believe those ametetes and fears were justified and they had been played upon by various elements, but it recognized they arious and raise. recognized they existed and was concerned to allay them. It would help people in the ethnic communi-ties feel secure,

... The amendment was negative. Mr Edward Lyons (Bradford, West SUP) moved an amendment to ensure that there would be a right of judicial review, in respect, of refusals of applications for citizensorp. He said that this would mean that

He said that this would mean that the judiciary, and the divisional court in particular, could look at the method by which decisions were reached and determine whether there had been a proper exercise of discretion by officers of the executive and whether the rights of matural justice had been observed. observed.

By deliberately inserting in the Bill the exclusion of the right of judicial review, the Home Office had shown that they were determined that no one should interfer in its operations over nationality.

The Government had gone out of the way to present an examination

The Government had gone out of its way to prevent an examination of the way decisions were made. This showed a nervousness which a self-respecting Home Office need not show if it was confident that all its operations could stand the scrutiny of Brimin's High Court judges. Mr Timothy Raison said the Gov-

ernment could not accept the ameridment. The person who had an entitlement to citizenship had to fulfil criteria which were essentially objective, such as residence and citizenship status.

If an applicant for citizenship as an entitlement considered that the an entitlement considered that the Home Secretary had acted wrongly or unreasonably and requested a judicial review, the courts could consider the procedures leading to that decision and whether a fair and reasonable decision had been reached. reached. But cirizenship by grant rested, to

a considerable extent, on different criteria. The applicant had to meet subjective criteria, most notably good characte, As long as the good character requirement remained and was assessed on the basis of reports, it would not he apt to permit applicants for citizenship by grant to seek a judicial review zenship.
The amendment was rejected by 282 votes to 231—Government majority, 51.

ment. At present an illegitimate child was unable to derive citizenship from his or her father in the same way as any other child. This was not a matter of principle but because of the uncertainties about the identity of the father that could exist.

When the Law Commission seported on recognizing paternity the matter could be considered again. Meanwhile, the Bill in its present form, substantially im-proved the status of the illegiti-mate child under Britain's citizenship laws.

majority, 50. The report stage was concluded.

Whitelaw: proposais not racist

Mr Whitelaw, moving the third reading, said that revision of the nationality law had been long over-

The Bill would make an enormou mprovement to the present situa-ion. There was nothing racialist in the provisions for acquisition of Bridish clizizenship. Many of the people who would become Bridish citizens belonged to the ethnic minority communities. The passage of the Bill would ensure that their position was put beyond doubt. The Bill in no way altered the United Kingdom's special relationship with her dependencies. The moral and constitutional ties with them, both individually and collectively, remained as strong as ever. It was quite wrong for people to see the Bill as the precursor of see the fill as the ptetasor of future changes in the area of vor-ing and civit rights. If the Govern-ment had wished to change civic rights, legislation it coul dhave done so without introducing a Bri-tish Nationality Bill.

It was only a matter of ensuring that legislation which at present gave rights to Commonwealth cit-tens and citizens of the Republic of Ireland no longer eld so. He could not rule out future changes in the law. But the Bill had no bearing on the matter, nor had he or the Government any plans, to change the law in the areas which people appeared to have primarily in mind. This was an important matter for the minority communities and he was glad to be able toput the Government's position on record.

significant amendments had been made to the Bill to allay the disquiet, aroused in the ethnic minority communities. They had added a provision to confer on a civild, who had lived here for 10 years since birth an entitlement toregistration as a British citizen Councils to

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ing plans remained unchanged in

would be appropriate to withhold f100m Mr George Younger, Secre-

tary of State for Scotland, said in

a statement on local authority

Mr Bruce Millsu, Opposition spokesmag on Scotland, said that the Opposition would oppose the reduction all along the line. This was a sorry day for Scottish local government.

c235m above the amount in the rate support grant settlement. This was a totally unacceptable response to the Government's request for lower public expenditure in the interests not only of the national economy but also of

I propose a twofold response the went on? First, I am asking all local authorities to undertake an immediate review of their budgets in order to reduce their spending to levels consistent with inc Government's expenditure plans, Authorities are being asked to report to me by the end of July. planned to spend about £180m at November, 1980, prices more than

> and unreasonable.
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> The extent to which I reduce rate support grant will depend upon the results of the revised budgets. If present spending plans were to remain unchanged, I consider that

Secondly, I intend to take imme-

Local authorities" original budgets for 1980-81 suggested a planned excess of £83m (or 4.9 per planned excess of £83m (or 4.9 per cent) at November, 1979, prices in figures set by the Government, the dishonest, inflation the 1979 rate support giant settlement. I called for revised budgets grant,

ine Government had shown its willingness to respond to the concern expressed by people from this country who had gone abroad to work and who were anxious that their children born abroad should not encounter difficulties over citizenship.

Amendments had been made

the Bill so that British citizens by descent in a much wider range of amployment would be able to secure British citizenship for their children. They had extended the effect of the present arrangements for consular registration for five The three reasons were: the medical evidence of four doctors We believe (he said) that the Bill ensures that British citizens by descent who have cominging links with the United Kingdom should have no difficulty is securing citi-zenship for their children born

create a British citizenship based on the principle that citizenship should carry with it the right of abode in this country. It should thereby provide a precise definition of those who belong to this country and were part of it.

The Bill was not racist and not sexist; it would end much of the intertainty which had harmed race relations in the part.

Mr Hattersley said the next Labour Government would repeal the British Nationality Bill 1981 and replace it by more accepted that measures. It would be replaced by a measures. It would be replaced by a measure, that accepted that Britala was a multiracial society. The Government had failed to take the opportunity provideds by the Bill to make amends to those East African Asians to whom the Government, the House and the country broke a promise in 1968. These men and women were promised entry the Unmitted Kingdom when the African states in which they lived became independent. He shared in the blame in breaking that promise in this new British Nationality Bill it should have been possible to redeem the promise that had been broken. Mr Hattersley said the next Labour promise that had been broken.

Mr David Steet, Leader of the
Liberal Party (Roxburgh, Selkirk
and Peebles, L), said Liberals
would vote against the Bill which
increased the arbitrary power of
the state over the individual. It
would extend the administrative
and secret powers of unnamed,
unknown and unaccountable
members of the Civil Service who
would be making most of the decisions.

The Pill was extended to the control of the
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tions. The Bill was racial in effect if not The ugly side of the Conservative Party had been very much in evidence during the passage of the Bill.

Why Attorney General accepted guilty plea

RIPPER TRIAL

Sir Michael Havers, the Attorney General, set out in a written reply his three reasons for agreeing that it would be right to accept a

or diministrative responsionity, was unanimous; on a piez to man-slaughter the judge would be able to pass a sentence of life imprison-ment and the doctors were agreed that whether Sutcliffe was conthat whether Suicilite was con-victed of murder or manslaughter, he should remain in custody for the rest of his natural life; and it would spare the families of the victims many days of extensive press coverage and detailed know-ledge of the horritying injuries. Sir Michael Havers said that the Director of Public Prosecutions was aware that the defence were



Havers: Medical

cliffe killed the victims but that it was proposed to plead to man-slaughter on the grounds of diminished responsibility. He had asked the DPP to discuss with him the evidence of four doctors. He and the DPP, with prosecuting counsel, had conferred with two doctors instructed by the prosecution as to the effect of the medical evidence.

Mr Arthur Lewis: (Newham, North-West, Lab) also asked whether the Attorney General would take action to stop the would take action to stop the practice of plea bargaining in serious criminal and murder cases. Sir Michael Havers: No. The term "Piea Bargaining" Is frequently used by those who do not understand, the various possibilities which arise when a defendant expresses a willingness to plead

from all authorities and their

response was that the outturn would be significantly less than the budgets. The provisional outturn figures

would be significantly less than the budgets.

The provisional outturn figures for 1980-81 suggest that this did not happen and I have already expressed my deep concern.

I shall consider further action when final figures are available in the autumn, but I am bound to make clear now that it remains my intention to effect reductions in the rate support grant under my existing powers where I am satisfied that excessive and unreasonable expenditure has been incurred.

curred.

If the final figures for outturn continues to disclose an unacceptable excess, I intend to effect grant reductions in the range of £40m to £60m. The higher figure will be appropriate if the excess of £83m disclosed by the provisional returns is confirmed. I will give further consideration to the means of securing such a reduction and

of securing such a reduction and the possibility of part or all of it falling upon rate support grant for 1982-83.

Mr Millan (Glasgow, Cralgton, Lab) said the fundamental reason for the course of Jocal authority finance was the unrealistic expend-

guilty to a "lesser" offence to that with which he has been

prosecution has the duty of deci-ding whether it is in the public interest that such a plea should be accepted. example, where a defendant is charged with wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm contrary to section 18 of the Offences against the Person penalty is imprisonment for life) and is charged in the alternative with assault occasioning actual bodily harm contrary to section 47 of the same Act (for which the maximum penalty is five year imprisonment) a plea to the lesser offence could be accepted, subject to the agreement of the court, if the likely sentence would be no more than five years, what-

ever the verdict, in the knowledge that the court would reflect the seriousness of the harm done in the sentence imposed.

No question of plea bargaining arises where the charge is murder and the evidence of murder and the evidence of diminished responsibility which can be adduced by the Defence and is agreed by the Crown would clearly support a verdict of manished responsibility.

In such circumstances it would be wrong as a matter of course

be wrong as a matter of course to forbid the prosecution to accept a pies to mansiaugater.

Mr William Whitelaw, Home Secretary, in a written answer, said: The report of the review carried out by Mr Byford will not be published but it is my intention to make a statement about the outcome of the review when it has been completed.

£3,250m outstanding

The latest available estimate of revenue temporarily lost to the Government as a result of the Civil Service dispute was between 53,250m and 53,500m, Mr Leon Brittan, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, said at question time.

Mr Nigel Lawson, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, said it was a matter of 30me regret that a spokesman for the Civil Service unions had stated a fortnight ago that a deliberate purpose of the Strike was to cause interest rates strike was to cause interest rates to be higher than they would otherwise be.

Next week

The main business in the House of Commons next week will be: Monday: Education (Scotland)
Bill, report stage. Tuesday:
Employment and Training Bill,
remaining stages. Education (Scotland)
Bill third reading. Wednesday: Education remaining stages. Local Govern-ment (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill Lords amendments-Thursday: Debute on effects of Government policies on rights, status and opportunities of women. status and opportunities of womea-Friday: Private. Members' Bills. Zoo (Licensing) (No 2) Bill, report stage. Tobacco Products (Control of Advertising, Sponsorship and Sales Promotion) Bill, second reading.

The main business in the House of Lords will be: Manday: Transport Bill, com-

Tuesday: Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, third reading. Forestry Bill. Wednesday: Dehate on need to combat race and sex discrimina-tion, Indecept Displays (Control) Bill. Committee.

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Big protest at US

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The Midway is due to dock tomorrow at 9 am and more demonstrations are expected

Police said that there were

no serious incidents during

sailors.

in Japan

Polish church plea against Bydgoszcz strike call

Poland's Roman Catholic zynski which should be devoted Church today continued to play a moderating role begun by the late Cardinal Wyszynski by opposing the token strike called hy the Bydgoszcz branch of

The local union is threatening to strike in protest against the authorities' failure to honour the March agreement to punish the policemen who beat up eight Solidarity members in the city.

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Solidarity's national execufive committee, which is meeting in Bydgovzcz today was addressed by Mgr. Jan Michalski, the Bishop of Gniezno, who had been sent by the Polish Episcopate to attend the meeting in an attempt to exert a moderating influence. He called upon the local union to refrain from such drastic measures as strikes which might hamper the Covernment's current endeavour to secure peace and calm during the prepara-He recalled that the Pope had ordered 30 days of national

Senate row

From David Cross Washington, June 4

Mr Ernest Lefever, the con-

servative academic who has be-come President Reagan's most

controversial pominee to a senior post in the United States

Government, today faced fur-

ther cross-examination about

his views on human rights. Mr Lefever, who is the Pre-sident's choice for the senior

human rights post in the State

Department, was recalled un-expectedly earlier this week to

be questioned by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee,

most of whose members are

believed to oppose his nomina-

In a closed session Mr

Lefever was seeking to explain the relationship between a Washington lobbying group he runs and the Nestle company.

He has been accused of a possible conflict of interest particularly since the Reagan administration voted against an

international code to regulate the marketing of breast-milk substitutes (Nestlé is a manu-

factures) in poor countries.

Democratic members of the committee were also expected to question Mr Lefever about

his views on race relations. Two of his brothers said he once supported a theory that blacks, were generically inferior to whites. Mr Lefever has already

The ontroversy whith has swirled carocund Mr Lefever since the first Congressional hearing last onth has led

Senator Howard Baker, the Republican leader of the Senate, to tell the Administra-tion that final approval of the

noination will probably be a long, tough fight.

"It will be a difficult struggle, but I believe it's "winnahie", Senator Baker said.

New inquiry

into Spanish siege mystery From Richard Wigg Madrid, June 4

An investigating magistrate today began a fresh attempt to try to solve the deepening mystery surrounding the Bar-

celona bank siege which the Spanish Prime Minister told Parliament last week was part of a series of efforts by extreme right-wing elements to unsettle

The magistrate is questioning the nine men detained after the

siege, who were brought yester-day to Madrid after the police

democracy.

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From Dessa Trevisan, Warsaw, June 4

to peaceful work.
The local Solidarity branch was threatening to call a strike for June 11 if the Government

failed to identify the men responsible for the violence against its members.
Yesterday, Mr Mieczyslaw, the Deputy Prime Minister, met Mgr. Dabrowski, the secretary of the Polish Bishops' Conterence and a communique issued afterwards stated that he told the Polish bishops of dangerous new reusions?

which were being provoked by "certain forces", which the statement deliberately omitted to identify. The Bydgoszcz police violence had brought the country to the verge of a general strike. It was settled after church media-tion. The local union branch has been waiting ever since for the authorities to present their report of their investigations. The union has several times urged the authorities to speed up the investigation and, more

inquiries in the Ministry of

Justice.

But, Mr Jerzy Bafia, the Minister of Justice, claimed that it was unable to identify 7,000 demonstrators shouting anti-American slogans and waving peace signs marched partial United States Navy base tonight to protest against the arrival of the American aircraft carrier Midway.

More than 3,000 rlot police, armed with shields and fishing those who were actually respon-sible for the Bydgosez violence. The local union leaders have also invited Mr Stanslaw Mach,

a Deputy Prime Minister, as well as Mr Bogislaw Wojerarmed with shields and fighting nodzki, Poland's Attorney General, but, according to Soli-darity, they failed to show up. buses and water cannon, grarded the base together with United States Marines and Another dispute which the church is also trying to settle with the authorities concerns the release of the remaining political prisoners and in par-ticular, the release of four mem-bers of the Confederation of Independent Polund, today's march.
As the anti-Midway rally went
on, local officials continued last-

Meanwhile, another incident is said to have occurred in Rybnik in which a monument in a Soviet Army remetery was damaged.

minute efforts to have the 64,000-ton ship, returning from patrol in the Indian Ocean, dock This is the fourth-incident of its kind reported in the past few weeks. The Polish Governat another port.

The currier has been based at Yokosuka, in Tokyo Bay, for eight years but is now suspected ment has dennunced strongly these acts of hostility toward. nuclear weapons in violation of Jupan's stand against harbouring

such arms,
The suspicions arose after former United States Government officials said American ships had been carrying nuclear weapons to Japanese ports for the past 21 years,

" Both

Poland.

rosaries.

spoke mostly in Polish.

the Pope's quarters. She was accompanied by her two

children and a nurse. The Pope and Mrs Odre'

family are from Wadowice,

At the end of the audience.

the Pope gave Mrs Odre

her daughter

The Pope had earlier had

a festful first night at home.

by many Japanese of carrying

The Midway carries three types of aircraft capable of dropping nuclear bombs. Mr Kazuji Nagasu, Governor of the prefecture in which Yokosuka is situated, has sent

telegrams to the Japanese and United States Governments asking for the Midway to go elsewhere.-Reuter. Tokyo.—The Japanese Gov-

ernment, urged by Washington to increase defence spending, today decided to set the ceiling on the increase in the 1982 de fence budget over the current fiscal year at 7.5 per cent, Government sources said.
Idexeases to other fields of expenditure will be limited to less than 2 per cent under the Finance Ministry's belt-righten-

ing policy.—Agence France Presse.

Mrs. Anne Odre, who was His doctors agreed with wounded during the attack on the Pope three weeks him that his recovery would be quicker in his own apartago meeting him yesterday ment, but the problem n his Vatican apartment, remains of stopping him The Pope was discharged from working before he is from hospital on Wednesday. well enough. of them were On Sunday, which is

Pope sees shooting victim

obviously very moved", Mrs Odre's doctor, Dr Pentecost, about 400 prelates from around the world Federico Meneghini, who was also present, said. The are expected to attend ceremonies in St Peter's and St Mary Major, marking the 1,600th anniversary of the Pope told her that she had suffered for him." They first Council of Constanti-nople and the 1,550th anni-Mrs Odre, who is from Buffalo. New York State, was driven to the Vatican, versary of the Council of Ephesus. The Pope is expected to listen to radio and taken by wheelchair to

broadcasts of the ceremonies. During the morning the Pope mer Cardinal Agostino Casaroli, the Vatican Secretary of State, and Cardinal Frantiesek Tomasek, the Archbishop of Prague, who had flown to Rome from Warsaw, where he attended the funeral of Cardinal Wyszynski, the Primate of

French left concludes cooperation pact

· From Charles Hargrove, Paris, June 4

French Socialist and Com-munist parties in the forthcom-ing general election and its aftermath were agreed today after only three days of

The agreement reached mounts to more than a purely electoral arrangement but fails short of the "political accord" and even more of the policy agreement which the Com-munists had hoped for.

It leaves unsettled the key issue of Communist participa-tion in a resbuffled Socialist Government. That decision will rest solely with President Mit-terrand, and will probably be taken in the light of the Communist performance in the election.

The two parties agreed to withdraw the runner-up in favour of the candidate leading the poll for the left after the first round on June 14 before the decisive one on June 21. the decisive one on June 21. But they have gone beyond this. The text of the agreement refers to a "coherent and lasting majority determined to cooperate in every way in the application of the new policy chosen by French men and women in electing François Mitterrand to the presidency." The text also refers to a

number of policy issues on which the two parties con-verged. These are mainly con-cerned with social policy, such as both immediate and longterm measures against unem-ployment and the gradual introduction of a 35-hour week, and a fifth week of paid holi-days. They also include the adoption of proportional repre-sentation, the election of regional assemblies by universal suffrage, decentralization and disarmament.

. But there are a number of other issues of great importance to the Socialists, on which plainly they could not bring the Communists to see eye to eye.
These are the Camp David
agreements in the Middle East,
Sovier intervention in Afghanistan, Poland, and the stationing of Soviet SS20 medium-range missiles in Eastern Europe. In their eagerness to climb on to the Socialist bandwagon

Cooperation between the before the election the Communists have been only too ready to gloss over these and other differences. But the Socialists have such bitter memories of their treatment at the hands of their erstwhile allies after the breakdown in the autumn of 1977 of the Union of the Left, that they now iusis, on an unambiguous formulation before committing themselves to anything in the

> The Socialists therefore plan to publish a memorandum setting out the remaining points of difference between the two parties, including the scope and rbythm of nationalization use as a basis for the discussions which will take place after the election on the appoint ment of Communist ministers. An analysis of the polling in the first ballot of the presidential election on April 26, when the Communists lost one million voters, shows that in 43 of the 36 constituences held by them, M Mitterrand came shead of M Georges Marchais, the Communist Secretary-General.

In any case, they are not committing themselves in advance to any electoral presents where a prominent Communist candidate is in serious diffi-culty. Tuday's agreement provides for an examination of these cases between the two ballots.

A projection on the basis of a poli carried out by the Louis-Harris France institute for this week's issue of the news maga-zine L'Express shows that the Socialists might even win 248 seats in the new Assembly, or two more than the absolute majority.

The poll gives the left as a whole 54 per cent of voting intentions including 32 for the Socialists, 17—or two more than on April 26—for the Communists.

The dilemma for the Socia-lists is whether it is preferable to have Communists in the Government, and compel them to assume their share of res ponsibility, or to keep them out and avoid a blow to confidence business and financial

recently, contacted the vice-president of the Polish Parlia-ment calling on him to make Warsaw's verbal battle over Reagan | divides neighbours

During this week's intensification of the war of words between Warsaw and Moscow, Poland's neighbours have been divided into two camps—the strident and the silent.

Czechovlovakia, East Ger-many and Bulgaria, whose assertion that "the activity of antisocialise forms." anti-socialist forces is increas-ing in Poland was given wide circulation in the Soviet Union yesterday, have all taken a firm position in support of Moscow Poland's other neighbours have stayed out of the conflict, with the exception of Hungary where a government official said his party's main interest

was to see that Poland found
a political answer
But he added that there
could be no status quo in
Europe without the existence

of a socialist Poland". In East Germany, the official newspaper Neues Deutschland. attacked "counter-revolutionary

forces? in Poland in an article reprinted by all other East Cerman newspapers and by Pravda.

Referring to foreign secret services' alleged involvement in Poland, a dispatch datelined Warsaw by ADN, the East German news agency, said: "Ar a press conference at the Polish Ministry of the Interior atten-tion was drawn to documents of Western espionage centres making it clear that Poland has never been so important for them as now."

Reports this week quoted Vasil Bilak, a member of the Czechoslovak Praesidium, as saying that "counter-revolutionary forces could boast only of having brought Poland in 10 months and with the aid of Solidarity to the brink of economic catastrophe and had plunged it into deep political



Leading with his chin: American apiarist allows bees to swarm on him and form a "beard".

Stage hand guilty of opera killing

Mr Craig Crimmins, a former Opera House in New York's Linciln Centre, was found guilty here today of murdering Mrs Helen Mintiks, a violinist, the Opera House last July, than a day, the jury found him guilty of "felony murder" but guilty of intentional not gu murder.

Felony murder is a murder

committed during or after the commission of another crime, in this case attempted rape. The maximum penalty is a prison term of 25 years to life. Mrs Minriks died after being Mrs Mintiks died after being kicked from the roof of the Opera House down an air shaft during an interval in a performance by the Berlin Ballet. The prosecution said that Mr Crimmins had ripped her clothes from her, gagged her and tried to rape her. During the trial, which received detailed publicity here, the prosecution based their case

the prosecution based their case on a videotaped statement in which Mr Crimmins admitted the crime. The defence said that he was simple-minded and had been coerced into making the statement by the police.

In reaching their verdict the jury seem to have concluded that Mr Crimmins had not originally intended to kill



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day to Madrid after the police failed in 10 days of interrogations, under the anti-terrorism law to produce a convincing account of the incident. The results of the police interrogations, which Señor Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo, the Prime Minister, promised in Parliament last week would soon lead to more information on those who mounted the sieee, are a

POLICE BREAK UP

carhedral where they began a hunger strike 10 days ago to protest "about interference" in Chile's universities, relatives

The four women and five men had demanded that the military government should disband secret police squads on the campus and end the practice of banishing dissident students for

who mounted the siege, are a severe embarrassment for the already hard-pressed Govern-

HUNGER STRIKE Sauriago. June 4.—Thirty armed police forcibly removed nine students last night from a

three-month periods of exile in Chile-UPI.

Sri Lanka polling · From Donovan Moldrich, Colombo, June 4 A state of emergency came Liberation Front, was taken

development councils in 17 districts closed. There will be no curfew except in the Tamil-speaking northern province where a state of emergency and

curfew were proclaimed on Tuesday because of tension and disorder that broke out after a police sergeant was killed and two others injured. Mobilization of volunteer units of the armed forces is in

progress and censorship of news relating to events in the north was introduced on Tues-

into force throughout Sri into protective custody early Lanka at 5 pm today an hour after polling in elections for development councils in 17 dis-Police at some stations in the

Emergency declared after

north are reported to have re fused to provide escorts for election staff. A statement issued by the presidential secretariat said that the police sergeant who was killed on Sunday and the two who were insured beingged to the Sininjured belonged to the Sin-halese Tamil and Muslim com-munities. The statement added that attempts had been made to create disorder and thus force a postponement of the elections that were scheduled for today.

Mr Appapillai Amirthaling-ham, the leader of the Opposi-tion in Parliament who is also leader of the Tamil United

Smith party tries to change its image From Stephen Taylor, Salisbury, June 4

and whose name became a by- candidates of the RF and the word for opposition to change, is attempting to rejuvenate its image as it approaches two crucial by-elections for white

After months of criticism from white Zimbabweaus the party meets this weekend to adopt a new name "in keeping with the changes in the country " and to consider policies to face the challenge posed by a

breakaway faction. With the closure today of candidate nominations for the second of the polls it emerged

the party which declared UDI a straight contest between the seat. Democratic Party, which was formed in April by a former Rhodesian Front MP and stands on a policy of broad cooperathat although there were signs tion with Mr Robert Mugabe's across the country that it was on a policy of broad coopera-Government Dr Ahrn Pailey, a former In-

dependent MP, who urged the ruling Zanu (PF) party to field a candidate in the Borrowdale constituency and then said he would stand as an Independent, announced today that he would not be standing in order to prevent splitting the anti-RF vote.
The second by-election is in

The Rhodesian Front (RF), that the by-elections would be the Mazoe-Mtoko white roll

Zanu (PF) will be watching the by-elections with keen interest. A senior member of the Government recently said gaining white support, the party believed that it was too early to put up candidates in white

seats.
But, he said, it regarded the Sensing that it faces a threat in the by-elections, the RF is expected to adopt a generally

The overall effect of EEC country like Britain with its policies should be to transfer resources from the rich to the less well off member states but governments cannot expect this to be immeriately reflected in their net bugetary balances.

This emerged here today as one of the basic principles on which the European Commission will be drawing up its proposals for reforming the EEC's finances. They should be presented to member-states at the end of this mouth.

These proposals which will resources from Michael Hornsby, Brussels, June 4

country like Britain with its small farming sector.

But the Commission feels that even if agriculture is made more copetitive—and less in need of expensive subsidy—there will still be insufficient revenue to finance, these new policies under present restraints for more than three to five years.

That means that the present 1 per cent limit on the rate at which valued added tax can be levied to provide EEC budget revenue must eventually be

These proposals, which will These proposals, which will also include recommendations for the reform of the Common Agricultural Policy, are to be finalized at a special meeting o fthe Commission, under Mr Gaston Thorn, its president, on June 19 and 20, it was learnt here.

Mr Thorn and his colleagues Mr Thorn and his colleagues have yet to decide whether to submit their proposals for pre-liminary discussion by EEC Foreign Ministers on June 22 and 23, or to submit them direct to heads of government at their spring summit meeting here on June 29 and 30.

The direction in which the Commission's thinking is movring offers some support for the view experessed in the Hague yesterday by Sir. Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, that poor countries should do better financially out of the EEC than rich ones.

There appears to be serious doubt inside the Commission, however, about how much can be done by means of the kind of special mechanism called for by Sir Geoffrey to correct the budget balances and deficits of member-states in order to re-flect their relative wealth.

called for by Sir Geoffrey can will need income supplements, only be achieved by spending possibly paid directly by their more on non-agricultural policies that would benefit a vision of Brussels.

There was no foundation for the suggestion, a Foreign Office

the suggestion, a foreign Office spokesman said, emphasizing that the speech on budget reform given by Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the Hague on Wednesday, represented "a full statement of the Government's approach."

ment rested on a single remark

by a senior Treasury official,

protesters
From Ray Kennedy
Johannesburg, June 4

The British view, by contrast, is that the Common Agricultural

Policy ceiling must b emain-tained, since its removal would be more likely to lead to a fur-ther uncontrolled increase in agricultural spending
The broad shape of the Commission's ideas for reform of the agricultural policy are also beginning to emerge. There are

three main elements. three main elements.

The first is that the EEC should aim, by limiting price increases, to bring the prices paid to Community farmers into line with generally lower world food prices.

Secondly, the Commission is overall "production objectives" should be fixed for different

products, with price support for quantities produced above this level being strictly limited or abolished. At present farmers are generally guaranteed minimum prices paid for by the REC budget, for

paid for by the REC budget, for unlimited output. This openended commitment, coupled with the high price level, has produced substantial surpluses most of which heavy subsidies.

Third the commission thinks flect their relative wealth. that poor farmers, who would the Commission appears to not be able to survive if prices believe that in the long run were fixed at more realistic the better distribution of wealth levels based on market demand,

thing."

A police statement said a detachment of riot police had moved into the Riverlea area and action was taken to disperse the gathering there.

A 15-year-old boy was injured when he was hit in the neck by Foreign Office denies rift over Community budget By David Spanier, Political Correspondent

The Foreign Office has reacted sharply to the claim that
it had a difference of opinion
with the Treasury over restructuring the European Community budget, as reported in
The Times yesterday.

There was no foundation for

The Foreign Office has reofficial prodence, he said and
agreed result of very careful
discussions in Whitehall.

The reform of the budget
will be the key issue of the
British presidency of the EEC
dear which explains the year, which explains the Foreign Office's concern yesterday to deny any difference of approach within Britishranks. Sir Geoffrey Howe's
speech was conceived not as a hannesburg newspaper Beeld today quoted Brigadier Gett Kruger, divisional commissioner of police, as saying that if protest marches and demonstrations continued the police would retaliate even harder.

"It is a pity about the innocent being affected in the preformal proposal—which is the task of the Brussels Commission—but as an attempt to set out the British view, in a general

The Hague was chosen as an appropriate venue for such a statement, because the Dutch are in the chair of the Council of Ministers at the mement. the spokesmen said. Commenting that he did not see why Britain should be a net contributor to the Community budget, the official was reported as adding: "At least the Treasury does not." The remark was no more than "natural" Once Britain takes over the presidency it will be in a sense, harder for senior ministers to state their views in such an open way.

Greek police Date set for search for Canada two sisters

From Mario Modiano Athens security police ap-nounced today that they wished to interview two Greek sisters in connexion with the fires that destroyed two department stores in central Athens

The police appealed to the public for information on the whereabouts of the two sisters because the investigation had produced " serious indications of culpability, not only for this week's arson, but also for two other destructive fires last December. A search of their house had yielded "incriminating material", the police added.

The security services seem to be focusing their attention on suspects from expreme left or anarchist groups. Some 15 of them were rounded up and interrogated in the presence of the public prosecutor. Five were later released.

A panel of expert criminologists scanned the waterlogged debris of the two department stores today in search of tell-tale clues. The investigation is considering the possibility that heat-radiating aluminium bombs may have been used. At least four different self-

press case From John Best

newspaper chains.

An Ontario provincial court judge has set September 28 as the date for preliminary hearings on monopoly charges against Canada's two largest

Thomson Newspapers and Southam Inc were charged last conspiracy and monopoly. The charges came after a Government investigation of moves last summer that ended competition between Thomson Newspapers and Southam Inc in a number of Canadian ciries. Mr Justice Fred McMahon ordered a Southam vice-president, Mr William Carradine, to appear on June 24 to set a date for his trial on a

separate charge of impeding the investigation.

Mr Carradine is accused of "tearing, mutilating and attempting to destroy and On August 27 Thomson Newspapers closed the Ottaway Journal and Southam Inc. closed the Winnipeg Tribune. This left the Southam-owned Police use whips on high school

Johannesburg, June 4

For the second day running violence erupted in Johannesburg's Coloured (mixed race) areas today as the police, with dogs and wielding whips and batons attacked high school pupils demonstrating over the detention of a student leader. According to teachers, the police were no less ferocious than yesterday when they attacked the Coloured children despite calls by white opposition and Coloured political leaders for an urgent investigation into their over-reaction. tion into their over-reaction.

Mr Louis Le Grange, the Minister of Police, said today that he was calling for detailed reports of the police action. But he stated: "Schoolchildren who do not obey requests from the police and throw stones or petrol bombs at my police must not expect any leniency. If they do not obey requests

they do not obey requests they must not expect any sympathy from me."

Today, high schools in the Coloured suburbs of Westbury, Coronationville and Newclare, where violence broke out yesterday, were virtually deserted.
Most parents kept their children away from school in fear
of further clashes with the

But at the Riverlea high school 200 students confronted the police and, according to a police statement, began stoning vehicles and giving black power

Riot police under the com-mand of Brigadier Theuns Swanepoel moved in with dogs,

whips and teargas.

Mr Sarah Davids, a teacher, said: "They beat the children when they were outside the classrooms so they ran inside and when they were inside they hast them to see out egain. beat them to go out again. These people are animals. The children were not doing any-

when he was hit in the neck by a teargas canister and a girl was badly bruised about the head after being whipped while she lay helpless on the ground. Another girl, aged 16, had an epileptic fit after being overcome by teargas.

Mr August Snel, the principal of the Riverlea school, said that some of his pupils had been boycotting classes and were standing peacefully in the school yard when the riot polica burst on to school property and started chasing the children with dogs. Berlin, June 4.—East Germany reacted angrily today to the attacks on the German nation by Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, and accused him of pursuing Hir-

with dogs. The Afrikaans language Je-

cent being affected in the pre-cess but the police cannot allow these things to carry on inces-

santly," he was quoted as saying.
The lead story in Beeld yesterday was an announcement that the police are to be given a pay rise. —The Johannesburg Star today

cautioned the police against totally estranging the Coloured population. "whose favour the Government is trying desperately to win." It described police conduct as "violent over-reaction."

The Johannesburg Rand
Daily Mail, traditionally the
most anti-government of South
African newspapers which is usually quick to comment about so far published its views.
At the weekend, Mr Allister
Sparks, its editor, was dismissed in a move which is being interpreted locally as an attempt to give the outspoken Rand Daily Mail a more pragmatic and more marketable image in line with the apartheid reforms that Mr P. W. Botha, the Prime Minister, has

WEST GERMAN "WAS CIA SPY"

Berlin, June 4.—An East German military court senten-ced a West German to life imprisonment today for spying for the CIA, the official East German news agency reported. It said that Dieter Vogel, a former member of the West German Luftwaffe, had acted

as "recruiter, paymaster and longtime agent for the CIA." The agency added: "His court hearing uncovered the longrime, planned, systematic and unscrupulous machinery of the CIA as well as the former workings of the CIA and the West German secret service.

Well met in Sinai: President Sadat in jovial mood yesterday when he and Mr Begin met near Ofira.

Washington intensifies Middle East action

the next few months, the White House announced today. They will include President Sadat of Egypt.

A formal announcement said A formal amouncement said that President Sadat had accepted an invitation to come here on August 5 and 6 and that Mr Menachem Begin, the Israell Prime Minister, had tentatively agreed to talks on September 9 and 10. If Mr Begin is defeated during the forthcoming Israell general elections, the invitation will go to his successor.

or to his successor.

Other leaders expected to visit Washington before the end of the year include King Husain of Jordan on November 2 and 3, and King Khalid of Saudi Arabia at a date still the benedited.

to be specified.

Mr Raegan's developing
Middle East policy, has been

E Germany

hits back

at Begin

lerité policies.

"The Government in Tel Aviv does not have the least right to use the Jewish victims of German Fascism as an excuse for its policies", Herr Karl-Eduard von Schnitzier, East Berlin's chief political commentator, wrote in the foreign policy weekly Horizont.

He said that all Israeli Governments had pursued occupa-tion policies based on the same "Fascist lies" used by Hirler. "They have carried out an extermination policy against the Palestinians internally and a campaig of aminitation beyond their borders." Here, we

Schnitzler wrote.
Although he did not refer directify to Mr Begin's attacks on Herr Heimur Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, and the German nation as a whole, the Bast German commentator alluded to them several times and made clear the extrele year.

and made clear the article was est as a rebuil.

The Israeli leader has repeatedly accused Herr Schmidt of forgening the Nazi murder of six million Jews.

Mr Begin has not mentioned East Germany in his statement but today's article indicated that the Communist state also

Herr von Schnitzler said ell

Israeli pri emministers from the late David Ben Gurion to Mr Begin had acted according to the "fascist lies of a people

the "fascist lies of a people without living space".
"They have carried out and are still carrying our theft of land under the motto blood and soil!" he added
These two slogans Volk Ohne Raum and Blut und Boden in the German original) were used by Hitler to justify the annexation of large parts of Eastern Europe.—Reuter.

felt offended.

their borders," Herr Schnitzler wrote.

President Reagan will meet marking time somewhat in a number of Middle Eastern recent weeks, but after the leaders in Washington during Israeli elections, his foreign policy advisers are expected to decide how to approach the Camp David peace process as well as what is seen as Soviet

well as what is seen as Soviet adventurism.

Meanwhile, the State Department announced today that Mr Philip Hahib, the President's special Middle East envoy, would be leaving Weshington tomorrow to resume his Lebanese peace mission. His travels would seeke him first to Express would take him first to Europe and then back to the Middle East early next week, a spokes-

He added that the four countries among which Mr Habib shumled last month—Lebanon, Israel, Syria and Saudi Arabia—had all indicated that Mr. Habib was welcome back for further talks. The envoy, who returned here last week siter three weeks

of delicate diplomacy in the Middle East, is arying to defuse a studeatened confrontation between Israel and Syria in Lebanon. During his short stay in Washington he has briefed stander Haig, the Secretary of State, and other senior Adminstrations and Congressional a indearened Confrontation between Israel and Syria in Lebanon. During his short stay in Washington he has briefed President Reagan, Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, and other senior Administration and Congressional

The spokesman said that the next round of Mr Habib's travels were "open-ended". Mr Haig acknowledged earlier this week, however, that the envoy's peace mission could not go on for ever.

Troops use tear gas on pupils

Israeli soldiers used tear gas today to quell violent demon-strations by Arab secondary school pupils in Ramallah and El Birch, twin cities north of

However the sources also said that bitterness in the Arab community was heightened by the visit of President Sadat to Ophira which the Palestinians feared would lead to an alliance feared would lead to an alliance between Egypt and Israel at the expense of the Palestinians. The Arabs said troops burst into the yard of the El Birch girls' school to break up a demonstration but the military command claimed the young women had gone out into the streets where they stoned soldiers and cursed them.

In Ramallah, the demonstrators were said to have stoned traffic

Threat to country's unity

Poll highlights Israel's racial rift

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem, June 4

The deep ethnic divisions between European and Oriental Jews which have long threatened the unity of Israel are being emphasized to an unprecedented, and many would claim dangerous, degree be-cause of the bitter election

For the first time in Israel's 33-year history, voters have the opportunity of supporting a specifically Sephardi or Oriental which stand chance of exercising political power in the Knesset.

The result has been to focus the result has been to rocus attention of the position of the Oriental Jews, who make up 55 per cent of the population but, because of widespread underprivilege, are still widely referred to as "The Second Israel".

Ironically, the catalyst for the new political development, potentially one of the most significant in recent years, was a corruption trial which ended last mouth with the acquittal of Mr. Abarem Abubation the of Mr Aharon Abuhatzeira, the Moroccan-born Minister for Religious Affairs.

From the outset, the Minister said the charges against him were the result of a deliberate plot by Ashkanazi or European Jews against the Sephardi community—of which he is one of the most prominent members. The charge had reflected the prejudice in Israeli society which had left the majority of ventral near test and class citi-zens who saw their position as similar to that of American

Before the verdict, Mr Nessim Gaon, the millionaire president of the influencial World Sephardi Federation, gave a warning: "The feeling that there is discrimination, as well as the apparent evidence that within Israel there are two societies, separate and unequal,

as a temporary period.

Admiral Giovanni Torrisi

head of the armed forces, has already departed on holiday because his name was in the P2 lists—so have the two heads of the counter-intelligence services along with the civilion coordinator of intelligence.

Finally, the Government was

brought down when the names of two ministers appeared in the lists while a third, Senator Alflo Sarti, the Minister of Justice, resigned a few days earlier because investigators found his application to join the Parameter

To the suspensions and resignations must be added the strictures of the Bank of Italy on the failure of the politicians to deal adequately with the country's economic difficulties and the repeated complaints that a possible discomment.

that a notable displomatic role for Italy had been stopped in

the P2 group.

has reached a psychological bailing-point.

"The manner in which the Abuhatzeira affair was handled has ignited a long simmering feeling of alienation and frustration among the Sephardi boiling point.

community."
Subsequently, it has emerged that the Zurich-based Mr Gaon is one of the main financial backers of Mr Abuhatzeira's new Oriental Party, called Tami, Hebrew acronym meaning movement for Israel's tradi-

The last-minute formation of an ethnic party of real political clout shocked the Israeli poli-tical establishment, most of whose leading members have been anxious to play down the divisions in Israeli society which immediately, become obvious to outsiders arriving

The reaction of Mr Abba have been growing more appar-Eban, the Shadow Foreign ent over the past seven years Minister, and one of the most during which there has been no European-oriented of all Israel's Middle East war to forge unity leading political figures, was typical: "In both national and nistoric terms, I deplore the development. Imagine this kind, of sectarianism in other aspects.

The majority of Oriental Jews arrived in Israel from African and Middle Eastern countries in the 1950s. They came from poor, pious and often primitive environments, and in many cases found it extremely hard to adapt to the realities of a modern, secular, industrialized

Many were virtually banished to new, ill-equipped and inhos-pitable development towns in the Negev and Galilee, where educational facilities were poor. Others were concentrated in overcrowded, and unsightly slums on the outskirts of Tel Aviv and in Jerusalem's notorious Katamon district.

Although living conditions

Although living conditions have improved considerably since those early days, prejudice and lack of opportunity remain.

The comparison with American blacks was deliberately reinforced in 1971, when a number of young Oriental militants formed a group called "The Black Panthers", and set out to highlight the social problems of their community. This led to occasional street violence. For some time, outside ob-For some time, outside observers have been predicting the establishment of a new party based on Israel's ethnic divisions, but until the forma-

of tion of Tami there was a wide-ave spread belief that it would probably end up on the far fringes of politics, like all pre-vious attempts to form an Oriental party. The social divisions in Israel

across the communal divide.

As well as the growth of Oriental pressure groups formed to protest against poor housing and other social evils, there has or israeli life. The Labour Party also been a recent emergence has always stood, against of a so-called "Sephardi consectarianism."

sciousness" designed to empha-size the basic differences in Israeli society.

As one young, Algerian-born Israeli explained: "We want to know who we are. We are returning to our local dishes. In our dress, we want to be less European. We speak Arabic more freely, almost as a provocation. We are learning to have literature, poetry and

Now they also have a political party and the seeds have been sown for further division in Israeli society, which is already struggling to cope with a growing, and sometimes violent, split between religious and non-religious Jews.

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From Trevor Fishlock Dacca, June 4

In a shaking but brave roice, Mr Justice Abdus Sattar, the acting President of Bangladerh, tonight expressed the Government's determination to maintain the democratic process, to follow the consultant of the process to the contract of the process to the pro foil any conspiracy to upset it and to discover the truth about the killing of President Zia

He also said that an army investigation will find out how investigation will find out how General Abul Manzur, the leader of the ill-fated Chittagong rebellion met his death while in custody two days after the President was murdered. The official version is that General Manzur fled to the Chittagong hills when support for his rebellion evaporated.

for his rebellion evaporated. He was caught by the police and taken under guard towards the Chirtagong army base. On the way the party was attacked by "agitated armed people", said to be villagers, and General Manzur was fatally wounded. Two of his fellow officers were killed on the spot. officers were killed on the spot.

Mr Sattar told reporters that
a. mob had surrounded the
arrested men. "You can well
understand the feeling that was
aroused. It is difficult when
tempers are high. We wish
General Manzur were alive. We
would have tried him according
to law."

to law." He rejected a report that General Manzur's wife and three children had also been killed. "I can assure you they are safe."

are safe."

Asked about misgivings expressed in Parliament that the investigation into the rebellion in parts of the Army would be conducted by the Army itself, Mr Sattar replied: "Everything happened in the Army and we must find out how and why it happened I have full why it happened. I have full confidence in the armed forces and I can assure you no injus-tice will be done to anybody."
He indicated that the inquiry, which has already started, would investigate whether there was any wider conspiracy behind the Manzur rebellion.

Mr Sattar is 74, and suffers from diabetes and high blood

pressure.
On Saturday morning, he was called from his hospital bed to head the Government.
"I was woken up and I was "I was woken up and I was so dazed I did not know what to say. I was in a very bad state of health and I have not been able to recover from the

shock."
Tears glistened in his eyes
as he added: "President Zia
was a true friend. He was like
my son. I loved him because
he was trying to build a small
country in a better way."
He and the Government would adhere strictly to the Bangladesh constitution and were committed to preserving

democracy.

Recause of his failing bealth he would not be a candidate in the presidential election which has to be held by the end of

Government officials expect the military tribunal investi-gating President Zia's murder to take up to two months to complete its work.

The court-martial triel of officers involved with General Manzur will begin soon end is expected to be fairly brief. The Government has named 17 officers who are held in China gong. No civilian has been detained.

US HONOURS WALLENBERG

Washington, June 4 .- The State Department today endorsed honorary American citizenship on the missing Sweddish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg whom the Russians say died in prison in 1947.

The conferral of honorary United States citizenship on Wallenberg would serve to underscore the seriousness with underscore the seriousness with which the American Government and people view Soviet behaviour in the Wallenberg case," the department said.

Mr Wallenberg was arrested when the Red Army captured Budapest in January, 1945. Although Soviet officials have repeatedly insisted that he died in prison, several unconfirmed reports have reached the West in recent years claiming he has been seen in Russian labour camps.—AP and UPI.

Citizen in Ottawa and the workings of the CIA and the Thomson-owned Winnipeg Free West German secret service Press without English-language against the German democratic daily competition in those citie republic." styled terrorist organizations have so far claimed responsibility Difficulties loom over Ottawa summit

a new, right-wing president installed in the United States, Western leaders may find it difficult to achieve a coordinated economic strategy when they meet in Ottawa next

The summit will bring together, the political leaders of Canada, Britain, France, Italy, Japan, West Germany and the United States for three days of discussions on July 19 to 21.
The spotlight will be on President François Mitterrand, the newly elected Socialist French head of state and on President Reagan. Their economic views could hardly be farther apart. M Mitterrand stands for in-creased state intervention, Mr Reagan for diminishing the role of the state and giving private enterprise more room to

It is recognized that room for

accommodation exists, "but in for a fair amount of attention there are differences of national policies on this occasion which will make accommodation a little more difficult", the Can-adian official said. "It is going to be a difficult summat."

From John Best, Ottawa, June 4

With the problem of achieving agreement on economic tacrics looming so large, summit participants are expected to set their sights on a more modest objective: 10 "harmonize" the policies of their governments so that they do not hinder one another. The emphasis would be on mutual adjustment and

sensitivity. Although so-called macroeconomic questions will come in for close attention, as they have to come out of the summit is done at each of these yearly summits going back to Rambouillet in 1975, political issues stick to the commitments made are certain to be more promi-nent than ever before.

Issues that are certain to come

at the summit are North-South relations and international development assistance, but for how much is a matter for conjecture. The Venice summit last year directed that this one should pay particular attention to North-South relations, However, because the Western world's own economies are in such deep trouble at present, and East-West relations in such tatters, other preoccupations may shunt the matter aside to some extent. The hope is that, at least, the summit leaders will signal their determination that there will

be no backsliding on aid to underdeveloped countries. Another clear message likely stick to the commitments made at the Tokyo summit, two years ago, to reduce substant their consumption of oil. to reduce substantially

masonic scandal From Peter Nichols, Rome, June 4 Signor Bertino Craxi, the socialist leader, said today after talking with Signor Arnaldo Forlani, the Prime Minister Designate, that the country needed "a higher degree of governability".

Their talks were a week after Signor Forlani had been invited by President Pertini to try and form a new Government after the masonic scandal which

Italy tots up the cost of

the masonic scandal which swept away his last coalition. The scandal is less virulent today in terms of revelations but the extent of the damage caused

the extent of the damage caused is becoming clearer.

The Milan Corriere della Sera, Italy's best known newspaper, failed to appear today because of a strike due, in part, to the P2 masonic affair.

The newspaper is in the difficult position of having had Signor Franco di Bella, its editor, listed as a member of editor, listed as a member of the P2 group as well as other leading writers while the fin-ancier, Signor Roberto Calvi, who recently acquired a large: share in the ownership, was not only in the P2 lists but is also being held in prison accused of the illegal export of currency.
Two prefects and the police chiefs of four cities have been obliged to take indefinite leave. The police leaders are those for Italy had in Palermo, Treviso, Salerno and Cagliari while the prefects, government.

PACIFIST SURRENDERS IN FRANCE From Our Own Correspondent Paris, June 4

M Patrick Gervasoni, who has been one of the leaders of the French conscientions objector movement since he refused to answer his call-up in 1972, gave himself up to border police at Jeumont in the north today in the home that the new socialist the hope that the new socialist Government will grant him amnesty.
M. Gervasoni, aged 30, has

been on the run from military

police since he was given an eight-month sentence for deser-tion in 1975. In 1979 he left France, where he had been living in hiding and went to the Netherlands and on to Deomark and then Iceland. He was expelled from there and returned to Copenhagen to live. After the victory of President Mitterrand he obtained a Laissez-passer from the French consul in Copenhagen to return to France and then contacted about 30 other French deserters in the Netherlands and Denmark to sign a petition asking for

amnesty before returning to France today.

Unusually for this type of case he has not been kept in custody. The border police have accepted his word of knonur to report to his unit, the 73rd Divisional Group in Marsellle. its tracks by the absence of a so that he can stand trial for government.

Journalists fight Hersant's control over 'Le Figaro'

From Ian Murray, Paris, June 4

A court official has been Robert Hersant, the proprietor of Le Figuro, has a properly recognized press card. The investigation is in response to legal moves initiated by journalists on the legal to the legal moves initiated by journalists on the legal to the legal nalists on the newspaper to ensure that the statutes of Le observed.

The statutes supulate that

the president and one other re-presentative of the five-member editorial board must be a jour-nalist. M Hersant, who gives his profession in France's Who's Who as "publisher" is the current president of the board. As president he not only has the right to choose the editor of the newspaper, but he can also fix the paper's editorial

Journalists at Le Figaro have been increasingly unhappy about what they see as a lack of objectivity in the newspaper's reporting. Shortly after the election of President Mitterrand they passed a resolu-tion declaring their unchangeable attachment to editorial independence vis-a-vis the authorities." and emphasizing that the paper owed its readers respect for their convictions, as well as a comprehensive news

The journalists then called authorized to find out if M for a stricter control in the Robert Hersant, the proprietor compilation of political news and for scrupulous respect for the facts. There was too much at stake to confuse ideology with moral obligations, they

insisted. The Hersant group replied with a statement promising that Le Figuro was to become "a" great national opposition daily" which would be moderate and liberal, in line with the views of its-readers.

The journalists, however, fee that as president of the editorial board M Hersant has too much influence on the content of the newspaper and they have therefore started the legal proceedings in an attempt to have him removed from the presidency.

Another dispute over the political content of a publication, this time the women's magazine Jacinthe, has led to a letter of resignation from Mme Françoise de L'homme, its editor.

The June issue of the magazine, which has a circulation of 172,000, carried a four-page supplement urging readers to reject "the Socialist-Communist coalition". More de L'Homme was unaware of the inserted supplement until the magazine

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Russia puts more pressure on Bonn over missiles

From Patricia Clough, Bonn, June 4

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politicians that there is a negotiable alternative to stationing among public opinion,

The ractics include propa-ganda outpouring in the Soviet press, meetings between Soviet officials and Social Democratic politicians who are particularly interested in detente, and ciforts by the West German Communist Party to spur on the growing pacifist movement. The aim is to prevent the deployment, in a couple of years, of new Pershing II and cruise missiles to redress the military balance which has been upset by the Russians stationing three-headed SS20 missiles in Eastern Europe.

Moscow appears to have accepted the risk it carries. For if West Germany backed out of the missile plan, Herr Schmidt ould resign, the Social Demo-cratic Government would fall and be replaced by the Christian Democrats who are more firmly pro-missiles and pro-American than the present

The new offensive started after the Chancellor's recent visit to Washington and the vote in support of the missiles in the Bundestag. The two events showed the Chancellor

officials.

The Navy plans to equip submarines and surface ships with the missiles, and hopes to have the first ones installed in about a year, the officials said.

This means that the Administration will not allow American.

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military power to be hampered

by arms control agreements. Navy cruise missiles had been

refugees abroad, mainly in the United States, between 1979 and last March.

Of this amount, \$16m has already been repaid by 70 per cent of those resettled.

Acording to Mr Thomas Lamb, the Hongkong regional representative of the committee, which finances the transport of refugees from East Asia to

their new homes, the great majority of those resettled start to repay by monthly instalments the cost of their

flights as soon as they have found employment.

"If the refugees have hard-ships and are unable to repay, their promissory notes will be automatically written off", Mr Lamb said. "Despite delays, no refugees have said they will not repay."

60,000 Vietnamese

From Richard Hughes, Hongkong, June 4 The Intergovernmental Com- ships picked up more than 300 mittee for Migration has soent Vietnamese boat refugees in about \$21m (about \$10.5m) in the South China Sea vesterday, resettling 60,000 Vietnamese a United States Embassy

spokesman said today.

The Seventh Fleet guided

missile destroyer Towers res-

rued 128 refugees from three boats, he said, and the fleet ammunition ship Shasta picked

up 195 Vietnamese from two

The 95 men, women and children on board one boat had been without water for four days

According to figures issued by the United Nations High Commissioner for refugees, more than 10,000 boar refugees arrived in other Asian countries

in April, more than double the rate in the first three months In Malaysia, refugee officials

asked the Government to investigate press reports that a group of part-time Malaysian soldiers assaulted a boatload

calm may be only skin deep.

President Chun Doo Hwan,

who was inaugurated as the

republic's fifth head of state

to be an impressive leader

Having taken control in May,

1980, in what many considered

was tantamount to a military

coup, the Chun regime swiftly

applied barsh measures to con-

Martial law was extended and

troops were deployed to crush an armed rebellion in the

south-western provincial capital

Many student and political

leaders were arrested, univer-

sities closed, the domestic press

censored and politics banned.

Kim Dae Jung, the former opposition leader, was blamed for instigating the Kwangju up.

rising, and was sentenced to death. Thousands lost their jobs

in a wave of purges that swept through every sector of society.
For several months, South
Korea became to all intents

after a shaky start.

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of Kwangju.

end of this year.

Long-range cruise weapon

for US Navy vessels

A high-ranking Soviet dele-gation left Bonn today after currying forward a subtle cam-paign to turn West Germans against Nato's new mediumagainst riato's new medium-range outless missiles.

Their visit was seen here as part of a two-pronged effort to convince Social Democratic

At the same time arrangethe missiles and to whip up ments were made fo rtwo chief opposition to the weapons architects of the Government's detente policy, Herr Willy Brandt, the Social Democrats' chairman and Herr Egon Bahr, to visit Moscow. Both are sceptical of the missiles plan.
The delegation, headed by Mr

Boris Ponomaryov, secretary of the Soviet Commist Party Central Committee, had talks in Bonn with Government and Social Democratic politicians, at which the missiles were a central theme.

A member of the delegation,

military balance which has been upset by the Russians stationing three-headed SS20 missiles in Eastern Europe.

A close associate of Herr Helmut Schmidt, the Chancellor, says that their purpose records

Officially the delegation was here for the West German Communist Party congress which voted at the weekend to go on fighting the missiles plan. An organization called the Deutsche Friedens - Union, regarded by the security services as communist influenced, organized a meeting of left-wingers, ecologists, pacifists, churchmen and others called the Krefeld Forum. They launched an appeal to the Government against the missiles which by mid-May had been signed by 200 000 people

800,000 people.
One point on which both left and right are agreed is that the Communists would not have had firmly committed to the new the remotest chance if the pub-American leadership and the lic feelings against the missiles Bundestag to the missiles plan, had not been so powerful.



Mother Teresa, who won the Nobel Prize for her work among Calcutta's poor, cradles six-week-old Gregory Burns at a meeting of the American Family Institute in Washington.

Plane makers race to fill twin-jet market

From Arthur Reed, Air Correspondent, Paris, June 4

Three new twin-jet airliner projects each simed at the lucrative market for 150 on funding before going seaters, were announced at the thirty-fourth air show which opened here today. The market for this size of aircraft is estimated to be 2,500 units up to the end of the century.

The projects are The A220 party might take on the final Washington June 4. — The Reagan administration has given the United States Navy clear-ance to build new long-range cruise missiles capable of striking deep into the Soviet Union. The decision is Union, according to senior Navy deficials.

denounced by the Soviet media as contrary to the lengthy efforts to put limits on strategic The projects are: The A320, by the European Airbus Industrie consortium, in which British Aerospace has a 20 per cent share, the MDF 100, proposed by a partnership hetween the American McDonnell Doug-Pentagon officials believe the United States has a technological advantage over the Soviet Union in cruise missiles, small jet-powered craft that are guided by computers while flying at tree-top level. las Company and the Dutch firm Fokker, and the United States Boeing company's 7-7.

limited to a range of 372 miles "We want to capitalize on under a United States-Soviet this (technological advantage) Furthest advanced are the A320 and the MDF100. Both and put them on as many ships as possible ", said an admiral aim to be ready for sale in 1986, and both promise to be 25 per cent cheaper to run than airliners operating today. The two manufacturers will be test-It also means a large potential involved in the project.—Wash-expansion in the number of ington Star. ing the world market for poten-tial sales up to the end of this £10m spent on resettling

M Bernard Lathiere, Director-General of Airbus, Industrie, announcing the proposal for the A320, which will be made in two versions seating between 130 and 170 passengers, said: "We do not want to build aircraft for pleasure or for poli-tical reasons. We want to build aircraft that sell."

What the role of British. Aerospace will be in the European project remains unclear. Sir Austin Pearce, chairman of the company, said here today that they wanted to take part,

JAMES EARL RAY STABBED IN JAIL

Petros, Tennessee, June 4.—
James Earl Ray, the convicted killer of Civil Rights leader Martin Luther King, was stabbed several times in the chest, arm and neck this morning in the law library at Brushy Mountain prison Mountain prison.

Mr Ray, aged 53, who is serving 99 years for the 1968 murder, was taken to the Oak Ridge hospital for treatment. His condition was said to be stable.

pany might take on the final assembly of the A 320 at its Bristol works where the Con-

made.

McDonnell Douglas and
Fokker will share the costs of
developing the MDF-100 and
yesterday the two companies
announced an American proannounced an American pro-gramme manager and a Dutch

gramme manager and a Dutch deputy manager.

Two big United States manufacturers, Pratt and Whitney and General Electric, will be competing with Rolls-Royce to provide the engines for all three new types. Rolls-Royce's entry in the competition is an entry in the competition is an engine which the company is developing with the Japanese aerospace industry, the RJ500.

The company said here today that the first developing with the property of the company said here today that the first development are to the first development to the first deve

that the first demonstration RJ500 is due to begin test running at its works at Bristol at the end of Januray.

British Aeorospace said at the show today that it has sold the said its last sold the show today that it has sold the said its last sold the said its last said at the said its last said the said two of its 19-seater Jetstream 31 sirliners to a New York airline, Mall Airways, and one other to a West German airline, Contactair. The orders are worth £5m, and the airlines have placed options to buy another four.

> MINESWEEPER IN COLLISION.

Copenhagen, June 4.—An East German minesweeper suffered heavy damage in a collision with a Danish oil tanker in the south Baltic Sea. . . · The tanker struck the Kondor 336, a Warsaw Pact patrol ves

sel, in international waters south of Langeland Island, a Danish naval spokesman said Despite the damage to the mine sweeper, there were no injuries to crew. The tanker suffered only limited damage.—UPI.

Thais press for a Cambodia conference

From David Watts Bangkok

China has given Thailand guarantées that it will abide by any decision reached at the proposed international conference on Cambodia, including non-interference in that coun-

The commitment will be good so long as Chine is satisfied that any government formed there is the result of self-deter-mination, Air Chief-Marshal Sixthi Savetsila, the Thai For-eign Minister, sold me.

of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (Asean). In the six years that China had had relations with Thai-land "what they have said they have done" he said. Thailand, along with the other Asean countries, has been pressing for an international conference on Cambodia, planned for July, because it believes that only by involving China, the Soviet Union and Vietnam can any kind of solution to the Cambodia dilemma be found. Vietnam and the Indo-Chinese countries have pro-Chinese countries have pro-posed a smaller, regional con-

posed a smaller, regional conference.

The Vietnamese have proposed this mini-conference but we don't have any quartel with them of directly. Whether we agree with them or not the problem will not go away. It's an international problem and must include all the countries, anclude of the countries, and the Soviet Union", the marshal said.

Though Vietnam has already stated that it will not extend the international conference, the Thai Foreign Minister said that whether or not Vietnam

that whether or not Vietnam came to the meeting, its aim was to prove to Hanoi that the Asean countries were sincere about seeking a peaceful solution.

solution
"Whatever we do at the conference we should not humiliate Vietnam or push it into a corner. We're looking for a political solution. We're against putting them into the position where they cannot come to the conference table we're not looking to punish Vietnam."

The Foreign Minister added that the Chinese had repeatedly assured Bangkok that they were not seeking influence in South-East Asia, their primary concern being the increase of Soviet influence in the region through the presence of Vier-namese forces. Peking had too many problems at home to

He said that the presence of thousands of Cambodian refugees in Thailand and the need to expand the Thai armed forces, was robbing Thailand of badly needed

be over-concerned

In order to pay for new military equipment, including fighters, artillery and tanks, Thailand had had to borsow \$1,000m (£500m). In the year since the Viet-namese incursion last June, there had been improvements

in the deployment and state of readiness of the Thai forces in spite of the attempted coup in April In contrast, the Viet-namese inside Cambodia were having problems with the re-supply of their forces.

"Their main problem now is

He conceded that a Cambo-

Football

An English crisis of faith over one of their most faithful servants

From Norman Fox Football Correspondent Budapest, June 4

Budapest, June 4
Tomorrow Ron Greenwood ennounces the team responsible for
the direction English international football will take in the
foreseeable future. Fartly because
of his own failure to fix upon
a forward-looking and settled pattern, but mainly as a result of inadequate material, he reaches
Saturday's World Cup game
against Hungary here with no
one sure of the way he is thinking.

foreseeable future. Partly because of his own failure to fix upon a forward-looking and settled pattern, but mainly as a result of intern, but mainly as a result of internet of interne

Mr Greenwood says he knows in his own mind the team who must bear the Hungarians for a realistic chance of reaching the finals. After Romania's victory over Norway there is nothing to be gained from thinking of a draw as being honorable, though in easier circumstances that would be a creditable result in the Nep Stadium, where today the temperature was over 90. The question he must have answered to his own satisfaction is: which players are most likely to bring the goals and stand up to the test? The question asked of him is whether be can inspire them out of their disappointments. His oldest critics claim that "motivation" is not one of his talents. After the defeat in Switzerland last Saturday, there was the familiar demand for changes. In the past there have been too many changes, some needless and done in desperation. Within the available squad there is no unknown

individual talent that would seriously concern the Hungarians. The changes now must be for a single important game, related to

short-term hopes.

It is a clear sign of England's present insecurity and aimlessness that no debate here ends with agreement over the team Mr. Greenwood will choose, In an ideal situation, without pressure

are simply not playing well enough or scoring goals.

Keegan, for all his service to England, has lost some of his crucial pace and against the Swiss

England under-21 side that will have three strikers facing Hungary today. The Norwich man will be joined by Garry Thompson, of Aston Villa.

"All three are proven goal-scorers, so that gives us a good chance in attack and very often the best way to defend is to give the other team problems at the back," David Sexton, the manager, and Mike Durhury of Manchester

back," David Sexton, the manager, said. Mike Duxbury, of Manchester United, drops out with an ankle injury received against Switzerland, giving Ray Ranson another under-21 cap. Mark Procter, from Middlesbrough, goes back to the substitutes's bench.

was rarely able to beat his marker.
Responsibility for supporting
Mariner from midfield should
come from McDermott, who is still
in good form, and Erocking, both potential goal-scorers, with Robson offering the essential industry, Williams has recently been nega-

Williams has recently been negative.

In view of defeat and fears that Hungary's fast forwards, Klss and Torocsik, will exhaust Watson mentally and physically, there is a strong case for including the younger Osman at the side of Thompson with Mills at right back and the delightfully dedicated Santon on the loft Coccions. ted Sanson on the left. Corrigan has a strong case for being in goal since, in Shitton's absence, he is now the No 2 and Clemence was not entirely convincing against Switzerland Mr Greenwood could have deci-

Mr Greenwood could have decided that the team to start will be: Glemence, Mills, Thompson, Watson, Sanson, McDermott, Robson, Wilkins (or Brooking), Coppell, Keegan and Mariner. If this is the case Keegan must get into the Hungarian penalty area and Barnes be brought on at half-time, or before, if there is the expected lack of width and variety. Hungary, unbeaten in three World Cup games, have achieved a settled team, although by including the 34-year-old Antwerpbased Fazekas and others in them mid-28s they, too, are accused of not looking to the future.

HUNGARY: R Kalirz (Pecs): G Martos (Freenciarus), L Balint (Bruges), A Inverse; I Garati Hone S Viulia: (A Inverse), I Garati Hone (Freenciarus), L Kiss (Va.ss), Martinta Hunta (Freenciarus), A Torocsio (Uppes) Dossi),

England on all-out strike

Justin Fashanu returns to an England under-21 side that will

although the team have been working on this in training. Mr Section sees the match as "the first leg of a decider" because England, with five points from four games, and Hungary, with four points from two games, have the one place in the knockour setion which follows next season.

Irish cannot be consoled for World Cup defeat

Rugiand's withdrawal from their Belfast commitments—which left the Irish short of match practice—is being given as a prime reason for the flop. But the Irish manager, Billy Bingham, has reprimanded the two players most at fault in the inept display against the Swedish part-timers—Manchester United's Jimmy Nicholl, who gave away a penalty, and Cochrane, of Middlesbrough, who was sent-off, along with the Swedish goalscorer, Borg.

There was a heeted exchange between the two soon after the match started, and from that point Nicholl's game went to pieces. The

Cycling

Bartolsic wins

their downfall;
The tenth stage, from Darlington to Newcastie over 77 miles, was won by Jiri Bartolsic, from Bruo. A 28-year-old Czerhoslovakian, he finished minth in 1976

punctures also handicapped the top two British riders, Bob Downs and Joe Waugh, but it did not prevent them from matching the top Russians. Downs suffered the first flat tyre at the foot of one-in-six climb after Stanhope but he regained his position at the front after an upful chase of two miles.

only Vedernikov could stay with him. Five others joined them over the top, including Krivosheev, currently second, Pedersen, the

top Norwegian, but only one Polish rider. It was the chance that the two

The price of Northern Ireland's lirish were not helped by a fussy World Cup failure in Sweden on Wednesday could exceed £250,000. And that means the Irish FA will be claiming around £120,000 from their English counterparts for pulling out of the Home Championship game in Belfast last month. Harry Cavan, the IFA president, said: "That money, which we feel is due to us, will be absolutely vital if we fail to get to Spain, as now seems almost certain. Wednesday's defeat was an absolute disaster for us."

The matter of compensation will be delat with at an international board meeting in Wrexham later this month, but no amount of money can console the Irish after their I—0 defeat in Stockholm.

England's withdrawal from their referee Ercan Goelsel was the Belfast commitments—which left the Irish short of matter practice." weakest man on the field.

"Romania was best and the referee worst", bannered the tabloid newspaper, Vant Lant. The result puts Romania on top of

the group and makes England's position more desperate.

The unexpected 3—1 defeat of Italy in a World Cap match against Demmark in Copenhages on Wedneeday triggered trate, bitter and astonished comments in the Italian press. Although Italy are cermin to qualify for Spain " the mundlation stands, and will rankle for a long time", Italy's largest daily, Gazzetta Dello Sport wrote.

FA could face mass resignations

The Arsenal chairman, Denis Hill-Wood, Inted yesterday that league clubs could resign from the Football Association over the contentious issue of paid directors. Mr Hill-Wood warms his fellow chairmen to use today's league annual general meeting in London as an opportunity to force the

animal general meeting in London as an opportunity to force the FA's hand.

The FA recently rejected a proposal that would have permitted one paid director per club. Mr Hill-Wood wants the issue discussed but he is not too optimistic of it happening: "The question of paid directors is not on the agenda and nor is any other business", he said.

The clubs successfully employed strong-arm tarties about 10 years strong-arm tactics about 10 years ago: "The FA wanted all chairago: "The FA wanted all chairmen and secretaries to sign a certain clause, but there was no way would could agree to it. All 92 clubs came out of the FA—and it worked. It could easily happen again."

and it worked. It could easily happen again."

The Alliance League club, Altrincham, hope to enter the Football League next season for the first time. They missed a league place a year ago by the narrowest of margins—two clubs falled to vote—and this time challenge Tranmere Rovers, Hereford Umized, Halifax Town and York City. Wycombe Wanderers are the other non-league hopefuls.

Slough may find the grass is greener in Belgium

Slough's main rivals for the senior title are the Dutch champious, Klein Zwitserland, whom they defeated 1—0 in the final at

Barcelona last year and who, in turn, wou the title at The Hagne in 1979. The Dutch will start their challenge tomorrow with a match against Edinburgh Civil Service in

played a big part in their successes which, more recently, include a 5-4 win over the Dutch national side and a 10-0 victory over Belgium.

But Edinburgh, having lost a number of senior players, have little chance of success in this tournament. The latest blow is the absence of Dargo, who suffered a foot injury.

Slough have their full side available under the leadership of Paul Barber. They know the strength of Zwitserland but a psychological point in Slough's favour is the apprehension expressed by the Dutch over the grass pitches at the Royal Uccle Club. They would have preferred artificial turf. Slough, with their wealth of

talent, are well known for their adaptability. They were fortunate in completing their training with two matches against the England squad, a 3—3 draw on a shale pitch at High Wycombe, and a 1—1 draw on a synthetic rubber surface at Brunel University. Four British clubs, Norton, of England, Portadown, of Northern Ireland, Glasgow Western and Penarth have qualified for the women's championship which is being held simultaneously here. Whitchurch, the Weish Cup winners, who went to Poland to qualify, are taking part in the Rome event. Their group rivals are the champions of Austria, Yugoslavia and Italy in the second division of the men's champion

GROUP A: Frankentha! (WG), Sta. Sverdlovsk (USSR), Slaugh, Lyon. GROUP B: Klein Zigliserland, Real Club d'Polo (Barcelona), Royal Uccle (Heiglum), Ediaburgh CS.



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ANGUILLA CABINET COLLAPSES

Anguilla, June 4.-The Anguilla Government led by Mr Ronald Webster, the Chief Minister, has collapsed after a Cabinet split and Mr Charles Goddard, the High Commis-sioner, has called a general election for June 22.

In 1967 Mr Webster led this tiny Caribbean island, with a population of 6,500, when it seceded from the three-island state of St Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla. He was dismissed from office in 1977 by the British who ruled Anguilla from London, but

regained power in general elections in May last year. A revolt in the Cabinet began while Mr Webster was away in Antigua attending the eleventh annual meeting of the board of governors of the Caribbean Development Bank, —Reuter.

BANK HOSTAGES ARE FREED

Manila, June 4.—Police and military special forces today stormed a bank in Quezon City where Gunmen holding 18 hostages exploded a grenade that left two dead and many injured. The hostages, weakened by tear gas, came out

The police move on the Philippine Islands Bank ended a five-hour ordeal begun as a robbery attempt by three gun-men. It came 30 minutes after the grenade exploded. -Agence France-Presse.

of 150 Vietnamese refugees as after he underwent surgery. they will not repay." they came ashore at a beach manila: United States warnear Sabak yesterday.—Reuter. S Korea pays price for stability

From Jacqueline Reditt, Scoul, June 4 After 16 mouths of unrest, munists claim that it still is, port in Korea and more arms

South Korea is enjoying as do a minority of militant domestic stability and the dissidents opposition politicians nation's security problems and students in the South. and the nation's security problems appear to be well under con-But most South Koreans appear to agree that; although full western style democracy has not been achieved, nor par-haps is espired to, the Chun-Government has at least taken Only a series of small, but persistent, anti-government student demonstrations recalls

last year's violent unrest and a good many steps in the right lends substance to occasionally expressed fears that the new These steps include the revision of the constitution—giving greater guarantees on human rights, limiting the powers of the president, and providing for last March, has shown himself a peaceful transfer of power after a single, seven-year pre-

Martial law has been lifted, the promised presidential and parliamentary elections held, and Mr Kim's death sentence has been commuted to life im-prisonment. Overt press censor-ship has ended and in a series of amnesties, many political prisoners, including all but 23 of the several hundred con-victed for their involvement in

the Kwangju incident, have

been released. These democratic reforms have been accompanied by a campaign to soften the "army strongman" image of the President. He has been depicted by the press as the family man. President Chun's foreign policy is proving a success-relations have been repaired Once shaky American-Korean Korea became to all intents relations have been repaired lack of a legitimate and and purposes a military dicta-torship. The North Korean com-

Full diplomatic relations with oil-rich Nigeria and Libya have been established and President Chun will soon make a good-will tour of the Asean nations —Makaysta, Singapore, That-land, Indonesia and the Philip-

matic coup by inviting Presi-dent Kim II Sung of North Korea to visit the South, and he has also agreed in principle to summit talks with the lananese.

that people do not feel free, politically or otherwise. Although most emergency neasures have been relaxed many daily restrictions remain. The fear of hostile action by North Korea lies behind many of the restrictions. It also en-sures that the military remains the most powerful force in the

not considered a real force in the running of the country, it campot serve as an effective safety valve. It is therefore left to the militant students to show open opposition
Repressing opposition has en-abled President Chun to establish control and restore

law and order, but a continued

The President scored a diplo

There is, however, still an uneasiness in South Korea, which boils down to the fact

Because the parliamentary opposition in South Korea is

resupply. Any idea of sweeping out the Klimer Rouge is out of the question," the Foreign Mimster said.

dian united front was unlikely to be formed in the near future but he was hopeful that with both Prince Norodom Sihanouk and Mr Son Sann, the leader of the Khmer People's National Liberation, Front, now in France, they would get together

British hopes flattened as ...

By John Wilcorkson
With two days left in the Milk
Race, Soviet Union cyclists again
proved, on yesterday's stage across
the Pennines, that attack was the
best form of defence. But,
although they maintain their leading two positions, their quest to
complete their domination by dislodging Poland from the top rung
of the team ladder could yet cause
their downfall;

vakian, he finished ninth in 1976 but had, not shown similar form until yesterday. He ended a lone ride of 21 miles in Newcastle, 19 seconds ahead of the main group of 26, which contained all six of the Soviet team.

The day's most unfortunate incident involved Hans Oedegaard, of Norway, seventh overnight. After negotiating a steep, rigzag descent into Stanhope, 45 miles from the finish, one of the Norwegian's into stannope, 45 miles from the finish, one of the Norwegian's tyres blew out, causing him to fall heavily. He eventually ended the stage in the second group, almost 10 minutes behind the leaders.

For the third day running, nunctures also handlearned the

two miles.

Wangh was more unfortunate.

He attacked on a steep stope chimbing out of the beautifully sited village of Blanchland and

Soviet riders had been awaiting as it would enable them to regain the lead in the ream race. It would also have helped Wangh overtake the two Poles above him In the individual table but, as the seven men had moved 30 seconds clear, Waugh sustained a puncture in his front tyre and the oppor-

in his front tyre and the oppor-tunity was lost.

RESULTS: 10th stage: I. J. Bartolski (Chechoslovaka) 5 hrs 8 mins; SK sees; 2. Z. Exagrhowski (Poland) 3. 8.37; 5. D. Padense (Norway); 4. S. Brathen (Norway); 5. A. Vodernikov (USSR); 6. J. Bragghy (Poland); Watish (GB); 8. Krurosher (USSR); 9. Marcheriski, Poland); 10. V. Vodernikov (USSR); 9. Marcheriski, Poland); 10. V. Vodernikov, 10. V. V. Vodernikov, 10. S. V. Vodernikov, 10. S.

Hockey . . .

From Sydney Friskin Brussels, June 4 After 'their brilliant successes in the English season, Slough have high hopes of achieving yet another triumph by retaining the European club championship which starts tomorrow. The event is being played for the first time in two places, the first division here, the second in Rome.

group B.

Oddly enough, Chris Sutherland,
a Scottish international who for
several years has played for Edinburgh Civil Service, will be on
the opposite side, He joined Zwitserland about a year ago and has
played a big part in their successee which more recently include

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Cricket

Boycott and Gooch give England the start they need

By John Woodcock.
Cricket Correspondent
LORD'S: England beat Australia
by six wickets
England took their expected
lead in the three-match series for
the Prudential Trophy when they
beat Australia at Lord's yesterday
with 3.2 overs to spare. They did
so before a full house on a wonderfully good pitch and in cool,
mostly cloudy weather.
Needing 211 to win from their
55 overs England were given just
the right start by Boycott and
Gooch (their past five opening
partnerships, in Test matches and
one-day internationals, have been
60, 144, 93, 5 and now 861 and
when rain threatened Gower came
and played with the insolent ease
of the highly gifted.
It was England's seventh suc-

It was England's seventh successive one-day victory over Australia. With both bat and ball they were just that much better. Australia had no one, other than the convalescent Lillee, to make the convaiescent Lillee, to make the batsmen fret. Boycott, with an eye for the number of overs howled, was still there at the finish, to be declared, soon afterwards, Man of the Match. Australia will improve on this form. All things considered, they

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—2. 2—36. —48. 4—60, 5—134, 5—162, 7— 9.
BOWLING: Willis, 11—0—56—2;
Ibam, 11—1—39—2; Headrick, 11
2—32—0; Jackman, 11—1, 12—1, Williay, 6—1—26—0; Gooth, 5—

MANCHESTER: Lancashire, with eight second invings wickets in hand, lead Surrey by 90 runs.

Surrey's main batsman were unable to come to terms with the Lancashire fast bowlers yesterday and it was first Infikhab, and then Clarke, who ensured that the

follow on was avoided. Clarke went on to hit six sixes as he made 79 in 13 overs and also took two wickets as Lancashire batted in the final half-hour.

Until Clarke began his spectacular innings, much of the play had been as cheerless as the weather. It was cold and overcast and a blustery wind blew from the Stretford end. There were two stoppages for rain totalling 55 minutes in mid-formon and it.

minutes in mid-afternoon, and it

could have been no fun playing cricket. With Lancashire's over-rate for much of the time below

15 an hour, there were moments when it was not all that enjoyable watching it, either.

Knight and Lynch were the only batsmen to make a contribution early on as Surrey laboured to reach 134 for six at tea from 60 overs. Knight sometimes drove handsomely on the off side but

he was never able to take control.

By Richard Streeton

did well enough to reach 210 for seven, specially after being 48 for three. Dyson went to the second bail of the day, leg before wicket, trying to hit Willis through midwicket, and Wood and Chappell were both run out, Wood because he usually is and Chappell revealed as a custer of some because he usually is and Chappen (revealed as a cutter of some account) through one of those undeserved deflections off the bowler's hand. No one contributed more towards Australia's recovery than Border, who came in when Hughes was fourth out at 60 and hit the last ball of the jumps. through the covers for four. For the fifth wicket Border and

Kent added 74, punishing Gooch and Willey immediately after lunch and making sure in a few overs then that England's bars-men would be left with something nen wome be lest with same that to do. Kent was beginning to look a player of some class—he had scored only six in his first 11 overs—when he flicked Botham to short midwicker. With Marsh, Bright and Lawson all making a face of the state of the same to the s few. Australia showed less obvious signs than might have been expected of their shortage of cricket. Last month they made fewer runs between them than Bradman took the chance to do, off his own bat in the first four and a half weeks of the 1930

Although the costliest of the faster bowlers, Willis ran about faster bowiers, Willis ran about the field better than for a year or two and made a quick throw, on the turn off his own bowling, to run out Wood. Humpage took the odd ball without it falling out of his gloves, though not the chance which Hughes gave him as soon as he came in. Gatting's throwing was marvellously accurate and Botham took a couple of wickets. Nothing that Botham did yesterday will have cost him his job.

struck Allott for three fours in one over, but he never seemed properly confident. Holding often had four slips and two gullies but howled too many balls that could be left gione. Allott took some late punishment but again impressed with his determination and ability

Knight came in after Climon was caught at short square leg off his glove. Butcher had already

been struck on the hand by Holding when he was hit in the same place by Allott and reitred. Roope had his off stump knocked

Roope had ins off stamp knocked back and Smith was beaten as he played half forward. Knight too, was similarly deceived. Surrey's hopes of reaching 183 to avoid the follow-on looked poor when Thomas was run out and Lynch hit across a flighted ball from Sim-

Intikhab, however, took three

fours from an over by Allott and he and Richards had put on 32

the best stand of the innings at that stage—before Richards was caught at backward short leg. Clarke then came in and a series

of crisply struck fours against Allott and Holding took Surrey to

Clarke lost Intikhab and was joined by Pocock as his hitting became more and more violent.

irst championship game.

It was dour, dedicated, effective batting and the hundred partnership came up in the forty-eighth over without a chance being given by either batsmen.

ESSEX: First linkings. 354 for 8 dec 41k R Pont 89: A Sidebotion 4

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R G Lumb, c Smith, b Lever

M D Moxon, c Hardle, b Lever

C W J Athey, l-b-w, b Turner

J F Whitely, c Frecher, b Turner

J H Hampshire, not out

B Hardey, l-b-w, b Lever

C L Extractory, c Smith, b Lever

C C M Old, c Turner, b Lever

G M Old, c Turner, b Lever

G B Stevenson, c Smith, b Lever

Extras (l-b, n-b, l), b Lever

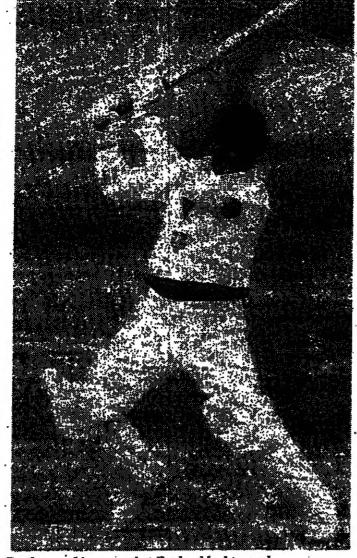
Extras (l-b, n-b, l), b Lever

Total (no wht) ... 117 Bonus Points: Yorkshira J. Essox B. Umpires: R Julian and R S Herman.

Minor counties

to move the ball off the seam.

Clarke brings warmth to a cold day



Border: making sure that England had to work.

1: Willey, 6—1—26—0; Geoch, 5—
1—21—0.

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When Australia bowled, Lillee wore two sweaters and a yellow a hinge pull for six into the grand-of the series of the se

brought Clarke three sixes against Simmons, one against Hughes and

David Lloyd. Trying for a third next ball, Clarke was bowled. His 79 had come out of 85. It was stir-ring stuff, and Surrey's first lunings deficit of 78 was far less than had seemed probable earlier.

LANCASHIRE: First lanings, 332 for dec (C H Lloyd 74, A Kennedy 64, Lloyd 63).

Second innings

A Kennody, c Lynch, b Clarks

G Fowler, not out

D Lloyd, not out

Total (2 wkts)
C H Lloyd, D P Huches, B Reidy, J Simmons, M A Holding, J Scott and P C Lee to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 3-13.

SURREY: First Innings

Butcher, not out
Clinton, c D Llovd, b Holding
D V Knight, l-b-w, b Allott
J Roope, b Allott
J Roope, b Allott
Lynch, at Scott, b Simmons
Thomas, run out
J Sicherds, c D Lloyd, b

| Holding | Holding | Total (81.3 every) | Care | Foliate | Total (81.3 every) | Care | Care | Total (81.3 every) | Care | Care

Left-arm spin of

John Childs of Gloucestershire produced a devastating spell of left-arm spin bowling to peg back the champlonship leaders Notting-hamshire at Trent Bridge. On a helpful pinch. Childs took four for six in 27 balls, for final figures of five for 73.

six in 27 balls, for final figures of five for 73.

His bowling came to Gloucester's rescue after the Notts openers Todd (96) and Robinson (60) had put on 163.

Procter chipped in with four for 45 as 10 wickets fell for the addition of 99. But on a day of mixed fortunes, Notts struck back and had Gloucester in trouble on 72 for three—a lead of 10—when bad light ended play early.

Larkins struck a superb 157 in 262 minutes to put Northamptonshire into a strong position against Warwickshire at Edgbaston.

Larkins obtained 26 fours and

Larkins obtained 26 fours and two sixes during the course of two century partnerships. His contribution enabled Northauts to declare at 325 for seven off 99.3 overs—a first innings lead of 88.

He put on 112 with Cook for the first wicket and added another 123 with Williams for the second

123 with Williams for the second before he was third out with the score on 240. Larkins's departure coincided with a mini collapse that saw three wickets fall in the space. of three overs.

After declaring at their overnight total of 360 for six and then taking three Somerset wickets for 53, Sassex looked in a commanding position in their championship march, sponsored by Scheweppes, at Hove. However, a fourthwicket stand of 103 and some powerful hitting by Garner enabled the visitors to reach 272 for nine off 83.4 overs.

Childs pegs

back leaders

mons, one against Hughes and from successive balls against

Gower to get them on the move again, which he did with beant-fully timed strokes and some well-indged running.

For the third wicket, he and Boycott made 86 and when Gower was out, to much the same stroke that Kent had played, Love, briefly, got the feel of things. Lastly, after a very good slip tatch by Bright had removed Love, Botham finished things off—to rousing noises from the Tavern. There for sure, he is the choice for captain.

Notts v Gloucester

AT NOTTINGHAM GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First inpin (K Saxelby 4 for 54) Second Innings Sadin Mohammad, c Dexter, Cooner

A W Minds
Hemmings
Zaheer Abbas, not out
A J Hignell, not out
Extras (I-b 4, n-b 2)

B Broad, b Rice W Stovold, c Daxier.

M J Procter P Bainbridge, D A Fraveney, A H Witchins, A J Brassing-on and J H Childs to bar FALL OF WICKETS: 1—4, 2—204

OTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Inzings

Cooper c Sadio b Procier

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BOWLING: Procier, 24-7-45-4:

Wilkins. 23-2-76-0: Bainbridge.

Gloucestershire 6. Umpires: B J Meyer and P 5 Stevens.

Sussex v Somerset

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J Garner, c Imran.
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J Moseley, not out ...
Extras (1-b 6, n-b 1)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-58. 2-41.
3. 4-156. 5-156. 6-154. 7.
175. 8-264. 9-265.
Bonus points (to date): Sussex 6.

Omersel 4. Umpires: D Shackleton and C .T

Second limings

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TA Leoyd, A I Kallicharran, M A Din.

1C Maynard, S J Rouse, G C Small, whoog, S P-Perrymen and D R Doehl to bat.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings.

**G Cook, C Kallicharran, b Perrymen and Cook, C Kallicharran, b Perrymen.

G Cook, c Kallicherran, b Perryman

Lardins, c Maynard, b Small, 157

G Williams, c Maynard, b Small of G Williams, c Maynard, b Rose 7

Lardy, c Maynard, b Rose 7

Lardy, c Maynard, b Rose 7

K Carter, b Perryman

G Sharp, b Rose 7

Extras (b 1, 1-b 9, w 5, b-b 7) 20

Total (7 texts dec 99.5 avers) 525-N A Mallender, T M Lessb and B J Grimtas did not bet. FALL OF WEKEIS: 1—112, 2— 275, 3—240, 4—240, 5—655, 6— 290, 7—325, BOWLING: Hogs, 20—7—44—0; Small, 19—4—68—3; Dockl, 37—12— 72—0; Perryman, 19—6—76—2;

Small, 19-4-68-3; Docht, 27-12-72-0; Perryman, 19-6-76-2; Rouse, 14-3-4-68-3; Warwickshire 5, Bonus points; Warwickshire 5, Umstres: D f Constant and A G T Whitehead. In Warwickshire first tunings agains; Northamptonshire. D R Dochi was caught Sharpe, bowled Williams for three runs, not bowled Williams.

Sex.
MANCHESTER: Lancashire v Surrey.
NOTTINGHAM: Nottinghamshire
Gloucestershire.

HOVE: Susacz v Somerset. BIRMINGHAM: Warwickshire v North-

amptonshire. HEREFORD: Worcestershire v Glam-

Today's cricket

Warwicks v Northants WARWICKSHIRE: First Maines, 237 (C Maynert 70: R C Williams 4 for 32)

Brearley bat with the polish of an old table

By Alan Gibson BASINGSTOKE: Hampshire, with all second innings wickets in hand, arc 84 runs behind Middleses. The day's cricket, what we had it, was dominated by Brearley The day's cricket, what we had of it, was dominated by Brearley, who scored a century, despite the chill and the herassing bad light. Brearley has never been exactly an elegant bataman but he has become a polished one, if you take the distinction; rather like a Victorian mahogany table; of no intrinsic beauty but shining from many years of assidious toll. From Rex Beliamy Tennis Correspondent Paris, June 4

Paris, June 4
Sylvia Hanika, aged 21, will play Hana Mandlikova, 19, in the women's singles final of the French championships. Miss Hanika is the first German to advance as far since 1970 and Miss Mandlikova is the first Czechoslovak to do so since 1976. Today each confounded the seedings and the world raukings by beating their. American opponents. The United States have been

The United States bave been similarly discomfiled in the men's

similarly disconfifed in the men's singles. For the first time since 1972, they will not be represented in the semi-final round, shough the seedings suggested that Jibony Connors, John McEnroe and Gene Mayer would all be there. Tomorrow's pairings will be Bjorn Borg v Victor Pecci and Ivan Lendi v Jose-Luis Clerc.

Lendl v jose-Linis Cierc.

Today's most important results were Lendl's completion of a 6—4, 6—4, 7—5 win over McEuroe in two hours and 13 minutes, Miss Hanika's 4—6, 6—1, 6—4, win over Andrea Jaeger in an hour and 50 minutes (on Miss Jaeger's 16th birthday) and then, most surprising of all, Miss Mandlikova's 7—5, 6—4 success over Chris Lloyd in an hour and 42 minutes of ex-

in an hour and 42 minutes of ex-citing, beautifully designed tennis. Miss Hanks had six break points for a 5—1 lead before losing the first set. But essentially

losing the first set. But essentially the match hinged on the fact that she had the more punishing game when she had the confidence to play it—as, eventually, she had.

Lendl, serving at 2—3 and 0—30 down in the third set when his match with McEnroe was resumed, lost six of today's first seven points but, from 2—5 down, won five games at the cost of only four points to finish the match. Later Lendl said that beating McEnroe was easier than he had expected it to be. McEnroe confessed that his preparation had been inadequate. "It was a matter of not adjusting. A disgrace, really. I

By David Powell

Middlesex began at 88 for two, 123 behind. Brearley and Selvey were in. Selvey, the night-watchman, did not get out until the score was 138, an irritating habit which night-watchmen often have. Butcher came in and played a brisk innings while Brearley was content to hold the other end. Tomlin played some handsome strokes. So did Edmonds, who obviously came in with a commission to get a move ou. The declaration came after 109 overs, Middlesex

Hampshire were not dismayed to judge by the way Greenidge set about the bowling. His first four was edgy but he followed it with several masterful ones.

But the rain settled in.

HAMPSHIRE: First impings. 211 (C G Greenidge, 95; M W W Servey. 5 for 79): Second Inning

Total (no wkt) ... 27

M. C. J. Nicholas, T. E. Jesty, D. R. Torner, N. E. J. Poccock, N. G. Cowier, N. D. Marshall, R. J. Parks, J. W. Southern and R. Stovenson to bat. MIDDLESEX: First Leadings Jesty
O Butcher, st Parks, b Southern
P Tomins, run out
H Edmonds, not out
P R Downing, not out
Extras (b 8. l-b 7, w 3)

w Lenter and Act bat.
5-128, 4-21, 3-28, 6-317.

BOWLING: Marshall, 51-9-87.
0: Sterenson, 51-1-102-2: JoSy.
19-7-44-2: Southern, 13-2-33.
1: Frequent, 11-3-14-0; Cowiey.

Umpires: R E Palmer and D

Worcester v Glamorgan

A Hopkins, not out R C Oniong, Javed Minded. N R C Oniong, Javed Minded. N Fratherstone M J Llowellyn, E Moseley, 12 A Jones 9M A Nash B J Llowd and R S Hobbs to balworcestershire; Fire Innings M Turner, c Nash, b Mosel Oratrod, run out Neals, c E W Jones, oseley
nis Ahmed, b Hobbs
O Nemsley, c Nash, b Hobbs
(Parel, b Hobbs
J Humphrics, b Hobbs
irkenshaw, c E W Jones, b

Cumbes, 5 Ontong P Pridgeon, 5 Hobbs Extras (5 5, 1-5 11, w 1, n-5 8)

Oxford U v Leicester

LEICESTERSHIRE: First innings. 240
for 4 dec 18 F Davison 75 not out.
J F Stele 55 cond innings
N E Biter 50 cond innings
N E Biter 50 kallett
R W Telchard, at Gordon-Walker
b Tsych

b Taylor Stone, b Taylor T J Soon, b Mallett D A Wenlock, b Taylor J P Agnew, not out Starts (1-5 2, n-5 2)

J F Steele, S F Davison, N G B Cook and G J Parsons to bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-85, 2-99, 3-110, 4-118, 5-119. OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First Inning

Total (65.3 evers) . . . 16

ALL OF WICKETS: 1—74, 2—4, 5—104, 4—104, 4—104, 5—124, 16—125, 8—126, 9—124, 16—165, 8—126, 8—126, 8—126, 6—125, 19, 5—126, 8—3, 10—1; Steele, 7—10—1; Steele, 7—10—10, 1

Umphree: W L Budd and J Harris. Other match

CAMBRIDGE: Cambridge University 372 for 2 II G Peck 147 not one T D W Edwards 55 not out! and 126 for 2 (Edwards 73 not out!: MCC 276 for 8 dec FR J Lanchbury 118, C S Cowding 73). Second XI competition

Second XI competition

LIANDARCY: Yorkshire II 230 for
dec (P G Insphan 109) v Glamorgan.
SOUTH MAMPSTEAD: Middlesex III
249 for dec (S Saumers 102 not
out; P inspease 66) and 97 for 5;
CHELMSTEAD: Exect II 298 for 66;
Giadwia 109). M Marents 70 and 140
for 6 (R Leiper 53); Kent II 188
(N Kenn 75. N Fosker 6 for 66).
WELLINGEOROUGH: Northampionshire II 78 and 134 for 4: Derbyshire
II 318 for 3 (Anderson 95, Barnet
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SECOND XI COMPETITION
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adjusting. A disgrace, really. I don't think I put out a good performance in one match in this a major tournament. I was think-ing about that today. Everybody has their time and in the first set Miss Charles reaches out

lengthily for Wimbledon been serving well and if I do that I tend to do well ", she said. Her progression to the last four ar Beckenham should, she believes, Lesiev Charles became an unexpected member of the semi-final round line-up at Beckenham yesround line-up at Beckenham yes-terday by disposing of Lindsay Morse, the sixth seed, after she had trailed by one set and three games to love. Consequently Britain retain the chance of repre-sentation in the women's final for the second successive year, Joanne Durie having been runner-up to Andrea Jaeger last summer. Miss Charles was not seeded for the tournament, which is sponmake sufficient impression to earn her a wild card place for the main draw at Wimbledon. The top seed, Pam Shriver, of the United States, has yet to concede a set and she arrived in the semi-final round with a 6-3, 6-1 victory over Marjoric Blackwood, another American, who was resided seventh. Miss Shriver is wood, another American, who was seeded seventh. Miss Shriver is the only seed remaining in the women's event and she now plays Jane Preyer, also of the United States, in the other semi-final. the tournament, which is spon-sored by the Kentish Times, yet had beaten Beth Norton, the third seed, in the second round. Miss Morse, of the United States, seemed likely to avenge the defeat of her compatriot by dominating the ner in the opening set. The sixth seed established command of the second set. The med's championship roll of bonour during the past decade locludes some celebrated names— Smith. Ashe and Connors for the second set, too, at which point Miss Charles threw caution to the wind, of which there was plenty. and won the next nine games for

Americans in Paris are danced

As critical a phase as any was

example. Among them are Amritral winner in 1974 and Edmondson, who followed the example three years later. Their meeting in yesterday's quarter-final round was not the close match expected, with Amritraj losing 7—5, 6—2. Edmondson has lost only once to Amritraj in four duels and that was at Wimbledon in 1979, when the indian came within two points of beating

In 69 singles matches since last Wimbledon, Mrs Lloyd has been

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off the court by Europeans Hona was playing so well, hitting so many winners, that I thought maybe it was her rime now. She has never really lived up to her potential but I think she will win "I felt that my forehand let me down a little and I was not never a province." As critical a phase as any was a long, marvellous game in which Mrs. Lloyd, who made the confident start, had four polats for a 4—0 lead in the first ser. The shrewd, lucid, swiftly-flowing pattern of that game excelled anything offered by Miss Hanka and Miss Jaeger—though their's too, was a match that painted women's tennis in some of its brightest colours.

Here was another contrast in playing methods, Miss Jaeger me down a little and I was not getting enough first services in, She was killing my second serve, I kept hanging in there, hoping she would have a lapse. But she was steady and she played me perfectly. She was jerking me around the court, side to side and up and down—the way she has always wanted to play me. She could be hetter than Evonne Cawley. She's stronger and has more nower. She stronger and has more nower.

Here was another contrast in playing methods. Miss Jaeger looked a frail, somewhat waif-like figure by comparison with the sturdy and strong German. As against Miss Navratilova in the previous round, Miss Hanika used the basic strategy of coming in behind booming services or deep, high-bouncing top-spun drives and trying to put away the responses with volleys or smashes. hetter than Evonne Cawley. She's stronger and has more power. She can hit top spin or slice. She's got all the shots."

This was characteristically modest about Mrs Lloyd's ean contribution to a match which demonstrated that, on distinguished occasions, women can play 'enchanting tennis, even on such a slow surface as European with volleys or smashes.

But by comparison with Miss Navratilova, Miss lagger was more tenacious in her regioning and struck a better length. At times she seemed incapable of error when attempting passing shops. Her anticipation belied her years and her occasional forays to the net belied her reputation.

The solendour of Miss Mandlisuch a slow surface as European clay. These slim, smart, straight backed players played a toxillag shrewdly designed match illuminated by super shot-making and a striking contrast in playing

striking contrast in playing methods.

Aliss Mandilkova was more hazardously adventurous in exploiting a wider range of shots without much margin for error, though a must be added that she could not have won but for the pattence and distipline with which sae sparred from the baseline before trying something special—as example, a fierce forehand or a drop san, that, even if it was not an outright winner, at least made Mrs Lloyd positionally vuinerable. ner belied her reputation.

The splendour of Miss Mandlikowa's performance can be
measured by referring to Mrs
Lloyd's credentials as a clay-court
player. In six appearances here,
Mrs Lloyd had previously been
bearen only by Margaret Court in
the 1973 final, when Mrs Lloyd
was 18. Since August, 1973, Mrs
Lloyd has only twice been beaten
in 191 singles matches on clay—
by Tracy Austin in the 1979
Italian champlonships and by Miss
Mandilkota this aftermoon.

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beaten only three times—twice (now) by Miss Mandlikova and once by Martina Navratilova. But Mrs Llovd told us this evening:
"I had not lost a match all year and did not want it to happen in MEN'S DOUBLES: 5-mi-final il Cullistid Sett-criand and li Taroccy illunears best I L Clerk Argentina and I Nas-ase (Romaels). 5—1 to 2 Fig. 2 MIXED COUBLEST Quarter-load: F MIXED COUBLEST CONTROL INVIDEN-LOAD COURT COU

Scanlon brings progress of Lloyd to a halt

John Lloyd's progress suffered

John Lloyd's progress suffered a temporary serback when he was beaten in the quarter-finals of the tournament, sponsored by GMC Moben kitchens, at Didsbury, Manchester, vesterday. Bill Scanlon, a 24-year-old from Dallas and the No 3 seed, beat Lloyd 7-6, 6-3 in 68 minutes in a match which he controlled only in the later stages.

In spite of his defeat, Lloyd was pleased with his efforts. "I can't grumble about my form today", he said. "Bill nover gave me any easy points, I had to work hard for everything." Lloyd twire had Scanlon in trouble in the opening set but the American. had Scanion in trouble in the opening set but the America, ranked No 38 in the world to Lloyd's 251, scrambled through the sixth game only after saving a couple of break points.

In the de-break he trailed 2—4 before a lucky forehand winner trickled over the net and tipped the balance. Scanion showed more confidence in the second set and confidence in the second set and Lioyd's chance went when he dropped his service, for the only time in the match, in the sixth game to trail 2—4.

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| Scotland hint at

face All Blacks

Christchurch, June 4
Scotland have given a clear Indication of the XV which will meet New Zealand in Dunedin a week on Saturday in the first of their two internationals on this tour. Only four changes have been made to the side which beat Wairarapa Bush 32-9 at Masterton vesterday for the game with Canterbury this Saturday.

Canterbury this Saturday.

One of those has been forced on the Scottish management. Tom Smith, the Gala lock, has once again fallen victim to injury and his place has been taken by the British Lion, Alan Tomes. Smith left the field with a torn calf muscle ten minutes from the end of yesterday's match and could not train with the rest of the Squad today.

Squad today.

Nor did two others. Roy Laidlaw, who will play against Canterbury because Alan Lawson has not yet arrived and in any case could

hardly be expected to turn, our with jet lag, is still suffering the effects of a slight groin strain. Iain Paxton took a head knock in Masterton and while he, too, will face Canterbury be rested during the training session.

From Iain Mackenzie Christchurch, June 4

side to

Rugby Union

one set all and a three

set advantage.

The British No 7 from Worces-

tershire surrendered her ground and fell 4—3 behind as she wasted

seven break points in the fifth and

seventh games. However, by serv-ing well and using the full capa-city of her lengthy reach, she

claimed the match 3—6, 6—3, 6—4, and now meets Elizabeth Little, of Australia, in today's semi-finals.

Miss Charles, aged 28, is playing better now than she has for two years. "I have had some tough matches this week but I have

England and Argentina both remain unchanged

From Peter West Rugby Correspondent Buenos Aires, June 4

Buenos Aires, June 4

England and Argentina will play the second international here on Saturday with the same teams as those which drew the first one 19—19 last weekend. When announcing that they would stick by their original selections, Derek Morgan, the England manager, said they felt more confident now that they had seen the Pumas in action, and so knew what to expecte. seen the Pumas in action, and so knew what to expecte.

"We know our backs can play better than they did last week," he added. "If the skipper's luck holds, we'll get the right result." Mr Morgan was referring to Bill Beaumont's success at the races last night when he won £200. England's management is more buoyant than it was at the same thme last week, in spite of the hiccoughs against a spirited provincial side at Roserio on Tuesday.

vincial side at Rosario on Tuesday.

Seven days ago it was counting up the walking wounded and wondering how many would start. Now there are no serious worries, although John Scott is having another check up for his eartroubles as well as a precautionary X-ray examination on his ankle and Woodward has been dive-bombed by mosquitoes. Scott has been able to do little or no training here but has always risen to the occasion on match days.

There may have been some

Jeavons was not at his best on Tuesday. A young Adon's of exciting potential, he still has to work at the grafting chores when things are going wrong. But he is one of those who enjoys the big challenge and the selectors are impressed by what he can offer behind an organized plat-form.

believe England retain the

I believe England retain the best balance at loose forward but Bob Hesford and David Cooke must feel unfucky to "miss the out". Steve Mills, whose throwing in has been consistently accurate, and John Fidler will earn their second caps.

Scott and Steve Smith will make their 20th appearances, the captain his 32nd. It will take Beaumont beyond the famous name of W. W. Wakefield in the all-time England list and leave him standing behind "Budge" Rogers, with 34; David Duckham, 36, John Pullin, 42, and Tony Neary, 43. In my last match report I should have given him more credit for yet another stirling performance, if not per-haps for his appreciation of what was required tactically things started to go wrong. Argentina have scotched local troubles as well as a precautionary X-ray examination on his
ankle and Woodward has been
dive-bombed by mosquitoes. Scott
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to the occasion on match days.

There may have been some
longer debate about the blind
side flank positions in which

Argentina have scotched local
speculation by retaining Landajo
and Cappaletti at scrum half and
left wing. Their coach, Luis
served another game because
"there were no individual
tion". England's forwards made

Quinn brought back by Ireland

Durban, June 4.—Ireland, seeking to end a run of five internationals without a win, today
recalled Mickey Quinn as stand-off
defeat, goes to centre. Quinn
half for Saturday's second international against the Springboks.
Quinn arrived in South Africa only
on Monday as a replacement for

It as only a slight mustle strain on Monday as a replacement for the injured Campbell and played in Tuesday's S1—10 victory over a Gold Cup XV.

The 28-year-old utility back teams up with McGrath behind the scrum. McGrath was his part-

it as only a slight muscle strain and he joined the squad for train-

Baseball

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Motor rallying

Yorkshire's newest recruit steals Lever's thunder

Lynch, after early uncertainties, Lancashire were now using spin cooked more like himself when he and massive pulls and off drives

By Keith Macklin

LEEDS: Yorkshire, with all newest recruit from the Barnsley area, who wears contact lenses like his hero and compatriot Boycott, grew in confidence, and when the opening felt the morning sting of a rampant Lever Yorkshire painlessly extracted it in mid-afternoon and a substantial second innings stand by the opening pair stifled all conjecture about a humiliating lunings defeat. Yorkshire, starting the day at a debilitating starting the day at a debilitating from a young batsman playing his lirst championship game. 16 for five, again found Lever at his most extrovert and hostile. With his third ball on a cool morning he removed the flailing Bairstow, and when he bowled Carrick, Yorkshire were 40 for

seven. Hampshire was at his most stubborn and responsible and he applied himself to the task of creating some semblance of order from chaos. This natural hitter was at the wicket for 163 minutes for an unbeaten 39 and found admirable support from Sidebottom who sourced to the beautiful to the beautiful to the second seminated semin who squared up to the Essex attack to such effect that the part-nership produced 74 runs in 20

nership produced 74 runs in 20 overs.
Old stayed for a little while with Hampshire, but Lever picked him off and after a short break for rain Stevenson played a shot of such crass irresponsibility that Hampshire must have felt like wringing his neck. Head up, arms loose, feet anchored, another swish and another catch behind. Lever fluished with eight for 49 and equalled his career best analysis against Warwickshire two seasons ago.

Yorkshire were 225 behind as Lumb and Moxon came out once again to face Lever and Phillip.

Bowls

Foreigners wiser

at Worthing By Gordon Allan The fourth Kodak masters bowls or sourch kodak masters oowis tournament starts at Beach House Park. Worthing, today and ends on Sunday. Bill Moseley (Sourth Africa) defends the ritle he won last year and the opposition includes David McGill (Scotland), cludes David McGill (Scotland), who was runner-up, and David Bryant (England, the current world champion, who was third. The other contestants are Doug Watson (South Africa), who won the world championship in 1976. Ken Williams (Australia), Peter Bellis (New Zealand), Gwyn Evans (Wales), and Joe Rogan (Ireland), at 21 the youngest man on the green.

green.
The overseas players have been

The overseas players have been finding out about the slower Brit-ish greens in their matches for the Rest of the World GROUP 1: Mosoley v Evans, McGus Williams, Group 2: Bryant v Rogan, Walson v Beltis,

World record holders join England \$00 metres record he broke at Cosford four month ago.

Sebastian Coe and Steve Ovett were both named yesterday in England's team for Sunday's athletics international against Ethiopia, Italy and Scotland, at Gateshead. Coe will run the 800 metres and Ovett the mile—their world record distances. In addition, Coe is in England's team for the 4 x 400 metres relay. for the 4 x 400 metres relay.

The announcement follows their victories in Wednesday night's international against Ethiopia, the United States and Belgium, at Crystal Palace. Neither was originally named in the England side for Sunday's match. Coe's inclusion at 800 metres

suggests that, conditions permit-ting, he could make an attempt on his own world record of one minute 42.4 seconds, established in Oslo two years ago. His oppo-nents could include the Italian, Carlo Grippo, whose world indoor

Cosford four month ago.

Allan Wells, the Olympic 100 metres champion, is in Scotland's side for Sunday's sprint relay. But Daley Thompson, who won the decathlon gold medal in Moscow is injured. Julian Goater, Barry Smith and Geoff Smith have been added to the Citizen Golden 5,000 metres which will be on Sunday. England's two representatives counting for match points are David Moorcroft and Nick Rose.

Coe again triumphed over adversity in the 300 metres victory at Crystal Palace on Wednesday Last summer. Coe overcame defeat in the Olympic 800 metres, and claimed the 1,500 metres title. This time, he had the shock of hearing that he was alleged to be at the centre of a £7,000 deal to run at a Paris invitation meeting.

The news was broken to him an hour before the race, but he stormed home with a burst that proved he is ready for another good, year. After returning limin 44.05cc., Coe denied the allegations made in a French newspaper, that an agent had been acting for him and said he swould not now him and said he would not now be running in Paris.

Coe, therefore, is ready to accept an invitation to run for Britain against West Cermany and Britain against West Germany and Poland, at Crystal Palace on June 23 and 24. It was on the second day of this match that the British Amateur Athletic Board had given him approval to run over 1,000 metres in France.

Mark Holtom and Martin Girvan. Northern Ireland hammer record holder, are in a strong Wolverhampton and Bilston team for the Buropean Club athletics champlonships in Belgrade over the weekend.

Polo Falcons clear

another hurdle By John Watson

By John Watson
First on to Smith's Lawn,
Windsor, yesterday, for the semifinal round of the Rothmans
Trophy, sponsored by Dunhill,
were Alex Ebeid's team, the
Falcons, who aggregate the top
22-goal handicap and Westcroft
Park, who, totalling only 13,
started the match two goals ahead.
But the result was 14—3 in favour
of the Falcons.

The the second match liganeme In the second match Ipanema drew quickly ahead of BBs and finished with an 8—4 victory. FALCONS: 1. A Ebeld (11. 2. G plares (9) 3. R Meslos (2). back: PENORI (5): WESTCROFT FARK: 1. T Mann (5), 2. P Charchward (5), 3. P Davick (7), back: M Brown (3). Daven (7), mack: M mrdwn (5).

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R de Lioux (3).

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Junquiera (6), 5, A Palma (5), back;
A Binir (7).

Louiaine the winner after inquiry

Yachting

By John Nicholls
Louizine, owned by Sir Maurice
Ling, has been declared the winner of the de Guingand Bowl as
the result of an inquiry into events
during the race on May 16. A
special committee of the Royal
Ocean Racing Club. organizers of
the race, examined requests for
redress by yachts which rendered
assistance to others in distress.
Louizine spent 28 minutes stand-Louizine spent 28 minutes standing by the dismasted Caiman II (G. Jeelof), and Strike III (B. Howard) 35 minutes standing by

Both stand-by vachts were compensated for fulfilling their obligations to others in possible danger by a suitable time allowance deducted from their elapsed times over the course. On corrected time, therefore, Louislane was the overall winner of the race by about 10 minutes from Rakau (C. Lowson and R. Ferrich etc. Lowson and B. Ferris), the pro-visional winner until the hearing. Strike III improved her position to fifth place in Class III.

Quailo (D. Parr), also dismusted.

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the training session.

It is not surprising that Jim Renwick will replace Richard Breaker in the centre. Despite his try against Wairarapa Bush, Breaker had a misterable game and in any case when Dods is absent the Scots need both Irvine and Renwick as kickers; Irvine can seem almost cross-eyed at times in front of the dead ball when the wrong mood is upon him.

Scotland have not missed the point that Canterbury field a XV including five All Blacks in prop John Ashworth, lock Graeme Higginson, scrum half Steve Scott, and centres Kiernan Keane and Vic Simpson. Canterbury are renowned as one of the hardest regional sides in New Zealand, as the British Lious will testify, and if Scotland can win they will be halfway towards victory over the national side.

Scottish Ky: A Ivine (capient) Brigh A. Canston. J Browkis. 5 Scottism Ev: A Irvine Caplein's Hay, A Gransion. J Remelci. 5 Medy, A Gransion. J Remelci. 5 Medy a Caplein's Design of Caplein Caplei

Racing

Master Willie's ambitious plan

By Michael Phillips Racing correspondent

Master Willie reaped rich consolation for his luckless experience in and before last year's Derby when he won the Coronation Cup at Ensom vesterday to give his at Epsom yesterday to give his trainer, Henry Candy and jockey, Philip Waldron, their most import-ant success to date. Now Master ant success to date. Now Master Willie may try to emulate Royal Palace and that horse's sire, Ballymoss, the last two horses to win the Coronation cup, the Eclipse Stakes and the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes in the same season.

Stakes in the same season.

Coral's who sponsor the Eclipse nowadays, have opened an antepost book on their race at Sandown and Master Willie is favourite at 3-1. You can get 5-1 with the same firm against his winning the 'Diamond Race' at Ascot, which looks like being Shergar's first big test against older horses and the race which will confirm for once and for all in the senior handicapper's mind that he is entitled to be rated in the superstar league.

the superstar league.

For a short while yesterday Coral's were prepared to lay 5-2 against the hero of the Derby putting his seniors in their place at Ascot in July but their generosity lasted for only a short time and by the end of the day, sheer weight of money had forced them to revise their assessment and cut shergar's price to 7-4.

But even that is generous when you realise that the other leading firms in the bookmaking business are not prepared to offer even are not prepared to offer even odds against Shergar winning the Ascot spectacular.

In the circumstances I will be more than mildly surprised if Coral's offer of 7-4 lasts very long this morning. Although the course had dried a bit in the 24 hours that had elapsed since the Derby. Master Wille's time was as unspectacular as Shergar's. But that can be attributed to the fatuous pace at which the race was ym for the first furlong. was run for the first furlang. Realising that it was much too slow for comfort and liable to turn the race into a farce if it winning post, Prince Bee had whittled his advantage down to two lengths. But in all fairness to Msarer Wilhe not before Waldron had decided that he had

Epsom programme

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[TELEVISION (ITV): 2.35, 3.10 and 3.40 races] 2.0 CANADA HOUSE HANDICAP (£3,830 : 5f)



Master Willie (right) winning the Coronation Cup from Prince Bee (centre) and Vielle

paddock yesterday confirmed the feeling that the race would do him a power of good because at home he is a lethargic individual.

In contrast Master Willie looked fit to run as if his life depended on the outcome. The Hardwicke Stakes, on the fourth and last day of Royal Ascot, is the next race and according to her rider, long Matthias, completely unable is a Canadian and there is a possed by Epsom's gradients and safe in a galloping companion, Nicholas Bill.

Henbit, a stable and galloping companion of Prince Bee and of course the hero of the Derby last year, is likely to run next in the coming.

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American at Epsom lands a double

Apurt from the Coronation Cup Steve Cauthen was the man in form at Ecson yesterday. The American jockey landed a touble by winning the Sean Graham Handicap Stakes on Master Golfer for John Sutcliffer and the Nichtingale Stakes on the Stake of the Stake

Stakes resulted in a victory for Clina, who was winning his fourth race from five starts this season for Jim Old. Royal Vulcan looked home and dry a furlong from home but Cima's late attack proved too strong. Old said that Cima would now go for either the King George VI or Churchill Stakes at Royal

Horses swap their names

They were then trained by Ron Smyth at Epson but were recently transferred to a Newmarket handler, Robert Williams. Williams said yesterday that he noticed a discrepancy between the horses

2.35 (2.36) SEAN GRAHAM HAN-DICAP (3-y-o: £3,995: 71) TOTE: Win. 77s; places, 15n, 72s, 30p; Dual F: £12.49. CSF: £10.50. 30p; Ducille at Epson, 2'd, nk. 1min 25.97sec.

8.10 (3.19) COROMATION CUP (Group I: £45.770: Print MASTER WILLE, ch. c. by Righ Ligo-Fair Winter (R. Barnetz). 4-9-0 ... P Waldran Lt. Zav. 1 Prince See, b c, by Sun Prince-Honorge (Sir M Schell), 4-9-0 W Carson (11-2) 2 Vielle, b C by Ribero-Hurdy-Gardy (T Blackwell; 4-9-17 D Piggor (11-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 6-1 Mrs Permy (4th), 35-1 Rankin, 5 rd.

4.15 IERVAULE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,186 : 5F)

4.45 MERRYBENT STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £690: 7f)

Catterick Bridge selections

4.15 Khaleel. 4.45 Huppel.

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Lyconwise, who won twice in

as many days on his last visit to

England, turns out again at Leicester on Monday for the Rag-

dale Handicap, in which a 71b penalty brings his weight to

Lyconwise returns

Chantilly result

By Michael Seely 2.15 French Touch. 2.45 Swinging Baby. 3.15 Obergurgl. 3.45 Alma Ata.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.15 Magneto. 2.45 Couchette, 3.15 St. Malo. 3.45 Aima Atz. 4.15 Run For Her Life, 4.45 Huppel.

Hardwicke Stakes

FIRST ACCEPTORS: Ballylop, Bozovici. Caira Rougo. Castle Keep.
Cesarlo. Court Cavaller, Cracaval.
Dukedomi, Formy Mill, Fingal's Cave,
Hambit, King's Edde, Lencastrian, Light
Cavelry, Master Willie, Moulouki, Mrs
Penny, Nicholas Bill, Pelerin, Prince
Bee, Raghin, Rhus, Royal Fountain, Sea
Chimes, Shaftesbury, Shining Finish.
Shoot a Line, Triomphe. To be run
over 11 m at Royal Ascot on June 19.

King's Stand Stakes

FIRST ACCEPTORS: Bine Courtier, Chimmy's Special, Coolean Jack,

Crimson Heather, Durandal, Jasmine Star King of Spain, Lady Blackfoot, Marwell, Moorestyle, Noalto, Petristroo, Runnett, Sayyaf, Sharpo, Spariding Boy, Standaan, Steel Charger, Swan Princess, Tualan, Ilia's Pot, Tialar, Valeriga, To be run over 5f at Royal Ascot en June 19,

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Martin ignores the squalls

Equestrianism

Pyrah masters conditions

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris Malcolm Pyrah and Thomas Humable's Towerlands Anglezarke triumphed against rain, a high wind and Alan Oliver's testhigh wind and Alan Oliver's-testing course at the Royal Rath and
West Show at Shepton Mallett
yesterday. The last to jump in the
final involving eight horses, they
won the Babycham Gold Cop more
or less as they pleased. They had
covered themselves with glory in
April when they won the third
and final leg of the World Cup,
with the only double clear round,
at the National Exhibition Centre,
Birmingham.

Carr plays on in the shadow of his father

The Amateur golf championship, reduced at St Andrews to the last eight, gave the impression yesterday of being split into two halves. In the op half there were no Americans, but an interesting, if mexpected, quartet made it to the quarter-finals, headed by the laying in his first Amateur on course he has never seen before. He is a faint reminder of his father, Joe, who yesterday kept at a discreet distance, attending to duties as a selector. John adopts that aggressive crouch and produces touch shots telling us that golf flows strongly in the velus of another Carr. last South Africans, van Niekirk, Carr recovered from a bad start against Godwin which left him

as good as they have ever been finally took the lead when he punched a four iron to 10tr at the 16th and holed for a birde. Davies,

always ready to attack, bored his

approach through the wind at the stick but it was too big and bounced on to the road out of bounds.

Deeble needed a four to come

Two Scots offer prospect of a place in the records

others the played her best golf in the morning and was only two over par for the holes played against Miss Dowling. against Miss Dowling.

In the afternoon the barometer in the clubbonse took a nose dive. The wind grew stronger and colder and for an hour or so the rain whipped into the players' faces like hallstones. It was then that the slim young Scot had difficulty in controlling her game

and leads by one stroke

Steve Martin will hope on many occasions in the future to produce the muality of golf which enabled him to compile a round of 67, four under par, in the first round of the 550,000 Lawrence Batley International tournament at Bingley Sr Ives yesterday. However, it seems unlikely that he will regularly surpass the consistency he displayed to move one stroke ahead of Neil Coles and two in front of a group which includes Lon Hinkle, of the United States. This, in no way, should be taken as a detrimental remark towards the young, bespectacled Martin Davids as being the only player among the field of 138 not to sign for a single store of more than par on his card. When one realizes that coles, one of the most if not the most consistent players on the tour, had a mixture of scores which included eight birdies for his 68 it is realized what kind of day it was in Yorkshire.

To Martin, however, the whipping winds and the regular squalls which protected this gentle 6,425 yards municipal course, held no fear. He was brought up at Carnonstie and it is significant that hole (190yds) which finished four force winds prevented not one professional finishing with an under-par aggregate.

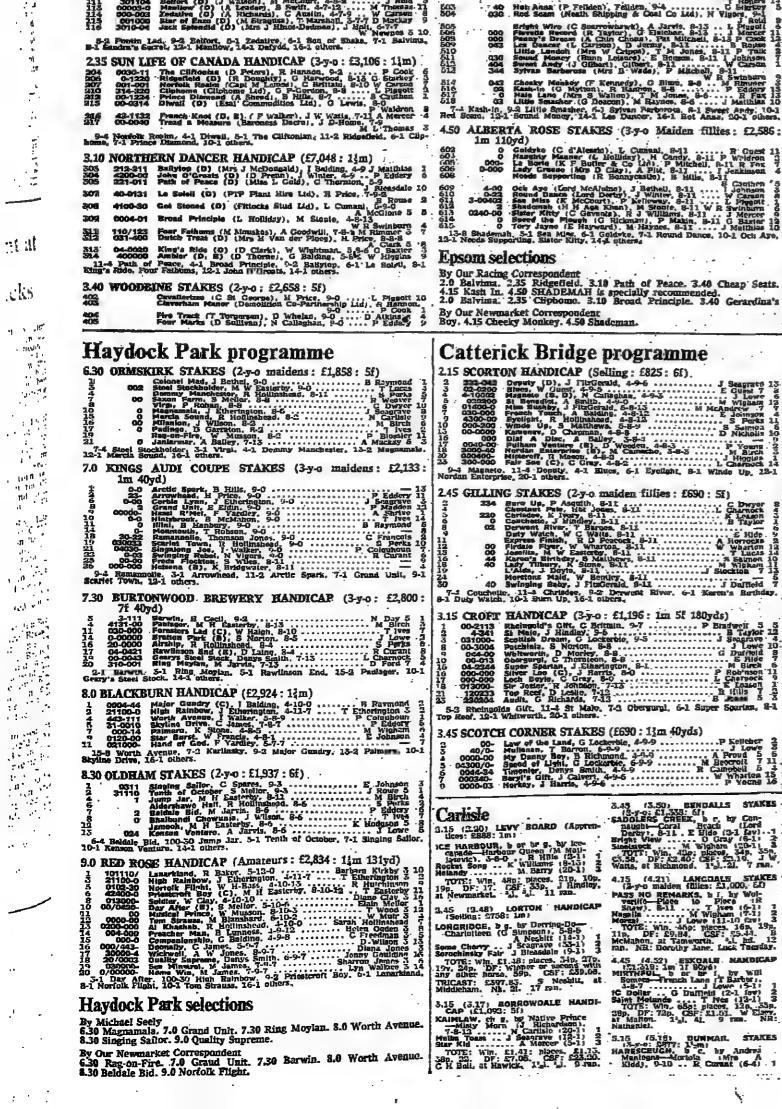
A three iron ree shot at the first hole (190yds) which finished four feet from the hole, set the pattern for Martin and he went merryly along his way. Collecting gnother three birdles, before giving himself his only moment of anxiety at the last hole (190yds) which finished four feet from the hole, set the pattern for Martin and he went merryly along his way. Collecting gnother three birdles, before giving himself his only moment of anxiety at the last hole (190yds) which finished four feet from the hole, set the pattern for Martin and he went merryly along his way. Collecting gnother fine birdles, before giving himself his only moment of anxiety at the last hole (190yds) which finished four feet from the hole, set the pattern for Martin and he went merryl along his way. Collecting gnother fine last hole (190yds) which finished four feet from th

on a testing course Broome (Mr Ross), his sister Elizabeth Edgar (Forever) and Fred Welch, Wednesday's winner,

Fred Welch, Wednesday's winner, finished down the course.

In the show ring, another head to fall was that of the hack, Tenterk, who has ruled the roost for six seasions, five of them with Robert Oliver. He won his class without too much difficulty, but in the championship, Mrs Richard Cooper selected the winning novice, Mrs Peter Russell Wood's five-year-old Secret. Agent. by five-year-old Secret Agent, by Floriana, a promising new face, ridden and produced by Stella at the National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham.

John Brown, the shining hope of Scotland, set a fast target of 44.9sec on Our Gaytime, who sacrificed accuracy for speed and flattened the last fence. Then Lionel Dunning pulled off the first clear round on jungle Bunny, whose time of 52.1sec was immediately bettered by Graham Fletcher with Treachan (\$1.3sec), Nick Skelton on \$t James (48.4) and Anglezarke (48.2), David-





Lest to right: Carlos Kleiber, first-time conductor at the Royal Festival Hall; "Kagemusha", Kurosawa's screen epic; musical "Cats", a T. S. Eliot inspiration; elm sculpture by G ertrude Hermes RA, at the Academy Summer Show,

The Times critics' guide to the week's entertainment

Theatre

Irving Wardle

The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas: Idyllic fable of model bordello wantonly hounded out of business by the combined forces of media publicity and political embarrassment. A Manhattan tribute to the Lone Star State, he musical is both a satire and an elegy, and contains the best country music yet imported from Broadway. (Drury Lane, 836 8108)

Goose Pimples: A clean sweep of the downmarket consumer population, in the form of a ghastly dinner party for car salesmen and a non-English speaking Saudi (Anthony Sher) who mistakes the venue for a brothel. As improvised by Mike Leigh's company, the piece may arouse inverse soob reactions, but you cannot argue against acting as good as this. (Garrick, 836 4601)

The Seagull: Masterly new version by Thomas Kilrdy, moving Chekhov's household to the west of Ireland and uncovering a wealth of fresh insights into the play. Max Stafford Clark's magnificently cast production uses the contrast between Galway and London manners to sharpen the comic collisions, and reveal the characters with a hard-edged precision that has rarely been achieved in previous versions. (Royal Court, 730 1745)

Cats: Skimbleshanks, Growleiger, and other famed felines from T. S. Eliot's collection, released into a cats' adventure playground for a night out involving every theatrical skill from bluessinging and conjuring to Chinese opera. Trevor Nunn and Andrew Lloyd Webber have failed in their attempt to devise a story line; but the stage effects and dance are terrific (New London, 405

Translations: Anglo-Irish parable of a Donegal hedge school of the 1830s (where the Gaelic peasanty learn Latin and Greek), and a British army detachment who are anglicizing the local place names. Colonial tragedy ensues, but Brian Friel's play begins and ends as a play about language. An extraordinary technical achievement with the metaphorical implications of a national classic, fully projected by a superb cast. (Hampstead Theatre, 722 9301)

The Misanthrope: Sumptuously dressed well translated, and brilliantly delivered version of Moliere's comedy with Tom Courtenay as a manically enraged bull in the courtly china shop. (Roya Exchange Manchester, 061 833

Britannicus: A gallant near-success in anglicizing Racine's political masterpiece; with a ferocious central battle between Jonathan Kent's Nero and Siobhan McKenna as his equally blood glutted mother. Some of the modern detail grates, but this is a worthy successor to the director. Christopher Fettes's, acclaime Dr Faustus (Lyric Studio, Hammersmith, 741 2311.)

Serjeant Musgrave's Dance. Painfully well-timed revival of John Arden's fable of colonial warfare. A good company, led by John Thaw, and Peter Hartwell's superb designs throw the play's parrating throw the play's narrative strength and poetic weakness into illuminating relief. (Cottesloe, 928 2252)

London Fringe One Man: Steven Berkoff's One Man: Steven Berkott's
London Theatre Group was a
victim of the recent Arts
Council cuts. Returning to the
London stage on his own, he promises a late-night ne promises a late-night entertainment with material from his favourite authors: Kafka, Edgar Allan Poe and Berkoff. He is always challenging. Performances this Friday and Saturday only,

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at 10 pm. Theatre at New End, Hampstead, London NW3 (794 0238) (Ned Chaillet).

London Calling : Tony Marshant is a young playwright whose first play caused much excitement earlier this year when it opened the new studio heatre at Stratford's Theatre Royal. His title, taken from a recent album by the Clash, suggests he is still concerned with provocative theatre
Opening Thursday, after one
preview. Square Thing, Gerry
Raffles Square, Stratford
East, London E15 (534 0310)

Booking opens ... The Royal Shakespeare

Company
Aldwych, London. Postal
booking for July 1—August 29
opens on Monday for Troilus
and Cressida, The Merchant of
Venice and As You Like It. Personal booking June 15.
Warehouse, Donmar Theatre,
London. Booking opens
Monday, June 15, for
Thirteenth Night, a Dream Play by Howard Brenton (June 24-August 25), The Forest by Alexander Ostrovsky (July 14-August 27), The Shadow of a Gueman by Sean O'Casey (July 21-August 29). Fortune. Booking from Monday.

The Hollow Crown (July 1-September 30), Pleasure and Repentance (July 13-September 30). Book there, Reduced prices for advance booking. tratford. Booking opened last Monday for June-October 3. A Winter's Tale, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Two Gentlemen of Verona, Titus Andronicus.



Carlin Glynn in " Best Little Whorehouse'

Ballet

John Percival

Coliseum : The Stuttgart Bailet's season continues for only one more week. This weekend's programme has a changed running order: Marcia Haydee starts it as Hedda and ends it as Mathilde in Traume: Jiti Kylian's Forgotten Land comes between (June 5 and 6, matinee and evening).

John Cranko's Swan Lake (Monday-Thursday) resolutely refuses the usual happy ending. Three casts are scheduled to dance the leads: Haydée with Richard Cragun (June 6, 10 marinee), Lucia Isenring with Egon Madsen (9, 11), and Susanne Hanke with Vladimir

Klos (10). Another Cranko ballet never seen before in London, Présence, starts the final programme (June 12, 13 mat & eve), which also includes Kylian's Return to the Strange Land and Glen Tetley's Rite of Spring (836 3161)

Covent Garden: Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet is briefly in residence while the other Royal Pesidence while the other Royal Ballet prepares for its New York season, Ninette de Valois's 1937 classic Checkmate and Galina Samsova's glittering production of Paquita share a triple bill with Cranko's

Browillards (tonight), Kenneth
MacMillan's Elite Syncopations
(tomorrow) and Frederick
Ashton's Sinfonienta (foune 12).
Ashton's two-act charmer, The Two Pigeons, is given at the other performances, preceded by either Sinfonietta (June 9, 13 mat) or Brouillards (June 10), (210, 1965) 10). (240 1066)

Sadler's Wells: A season of American dance starts on Monday with one of their great dancer-choreographers, Merca Cunningham, a veteran now but still active, and his company of first-rate dancers. The programme changes almost nightly, chosen from a dozen works including one completely new and three London premieres: expect original, sometimes disconcerting but always gripping choreography, generally avant-garde music, and designs by artists of

distinction. (\$37 1672) Riverside: Two of Cunningham's former dancers, David Gordon and Valda Setterfield, head the Pick Up Company which appears in a programme of new works, June 9-14. It is the company's first time in London but the leading couple gave a foretaste choreography at Riverside last year. (742 2251)

National Film Theatre: The programmes of baller films in tribute to the Royal Baller's ubilee continue with Romeo and Juliet (Fonteyn, Nureyev and Blair in MacMillan's choreography, June 6), Ashton's danced version of The Tales of Beatrix Potter (June 7), and then one of the most famous of all dance films, The Red Shoes (June 15). Finally, Ashron's Enigma. Variations together with the 1947 weepie. The Little Ballerina (June 14), All programmes twice nightly; membership inquiries 437 4355.

Concerts William Mann

Unquestionably the event of the week will be the first concert appearance in London of Carlos Kleiber, who conducts the LSO at the Royal Festival Hall (928 3191) on Tuesday, in place of Karl Böhm, Kleiber has been touring with the LSO in Island their resident the LSO in Italy; their main work will be Beethoven's Seventh Symphony.

The 1981 Bath Festival draws to a close at the weekend. Tonight at the Theatre Royal (0225 60265) the Lontano group perform Stravinsky's A Soldier's Tale and a new dramatic plece by Nigel Osborne. Tomorrow Capricom play Mozart and twentieth century works in the afternoon in the evening, the English Baroque Soloists offer Purcell, Bach and Handel. Sunday brings Robert Woolley with French harpsichord music, and the final recital by t Beaux Arts Trio of New York.

Back in London, my pick for tonight is Gustav Leonhardt's . S. Bach harpsichord recital at Christ Church, Spitalfields (247 0792). Tomorrow is a day of oratorios, with Handel's Deborah at the Queen Elizabeth Hall (928 3291) and Mendelssohn's St_Paul at Spitalfields. On Sunday evening at the RVH Arrau plays Weber's Concert Piece and Strauss's Burleske with the RPO and Walter Weller, while at Covent Garden (240 1066) Dame Janet Baker with Geoffrey Parsons gives a varied programme of songs.

On Monday the young and greatly talented Krystian Zimerman plays piano sonatas by Brahms and Chopin at the RFH, while piano-fanciers will also find serried ranks of them in the QEH on Tuesday evening, when 25 pianists variously combine, conducted by Colin Davis in such gems as Sousa's Stars and Stripes.

Finally, Mahler devotees must not miss Das klagende Lied, conducted by Simon Rattle at the RFH on Thursday

Opera John Higgins

Covent Garden: The Royal Opera is back home again after its month in Manchester and opens the last part of the season with a revival of Verdi's Luisa Miller.Katia Ricciarelli again sings the title role, with Leo Nucci as her father. The newcomers include the veteran

Stephenson Bicentenary Exhibition: Models of George

including the Rocket, have

Museum and are on display with many of his personal effects—including, for the

ghouls among you, a lock of the inventor's hair. Stephenson

started his career as a pit lad,

engines were generated by his thoughts on better ways of

Stephenson was semi-literate, his son helping him put pen

to paper. (June 10 to July 23, open Monday to Friday 10 am-5 pm, admission free. Institu-

tion of Mechanical Engineers,

1 Birdcage Walk, London SWL 839 1211) Stephenson is also being celebrated in the North,

with the opening of the Wylam

Railway Museum on June 9 and an exhibition titled "Master of

All These Marvels " starting

at the Museum of Science and

and his designs for steam

For a large part of his life

transporting coal.

been lent by the Science

Stephenson's famous inventions,

Family outings

Judy Froshaug

Our regular critics provide a short-list of recommended entertainments, outings and reading for the coming week

tenor Cario Bergonzi as Rodolfo and Pinchas Steinberg (son of William) making his house debut as conductor. (240 1066) English National Opera North:

English National Opera North:
Grand Theatre, Leeds: Mozart's
Don Giovanni opens tomorrow
night with Tom McDonnell in
the title role. David Pountney
has revised his production,
originally staged by Scottish
Opera, for its trip south. The
Barber of Seville joins Giovanni
at Leeds Repertory next week. at Leeds Repertory next week. (0532 459351) Glyndebourne: Certainly the

most carefully planned opera of the week. The two best-known musical works based on the encounters of Figaro and Count Almaviva are running in tandem. Sir Peter Hall has returned to re-direct his 1973 production of Mozert's Le nozze di Figaro, which probes well beneath the skin of the characters. Two performances which most catch the eye and which most catch the eye and the ear are both given by American singers: Richard Stilwell (the Count) and Faith-Esham (Cherubino). John Cox's effervescent staging of Rossini's The Barber of Seville has one truly star performance, Maria Ewing's Rosina. She is admirably supported by John Rawnsley—an up-and-coming bass-baritone—as Figaro, and indeed the whole cast who indeed the whole cast, who play with fine comic brio. The house is sold out, but there is a chance of returned tickets. (0273 812411)

Weish National Opera, Sherman Theatre, Cardiff: The première of John Metcalf's The Journey will be given by the WNO at Cardiff on June 12, with a second performance the following evening. The opera then goes next month to the Cheltenham Festival Note that the WNO is playing at the Sherman Theatre and not at its normal home, the New. (0222 30451)

Films

David Robinson

Atlantic City: This week and next there is the last chance to see Louis Malle's elegiac homage to Atlantic City and a group of people—most notable. Remarks people-most notably Burt Lancaster as an old bood dreaming of former criminal triumphs that never were crumbling along with the flimsy façades and boardwalks of the place (Curzon, 499 3737)

Don Giovanni: Joseph Losey's tussle with Mozart—a mixture of brilliant moments and strange miscalculations— is now in its eighth month. It has to be seen once at least, for the experience as well as for Rug-gero Raimondi's diabolic Don. (Academy One, 437 2981)

Greek Tragedy on Film: The National Film Theatre offers a season of cinematic encounters with the classics. There are more than you might guess, including three versions of Oedipus Rex and five Electras, of the standard of the standar The Trojan Women (with Katharine Hepourn, Vanessa Redgrave and Irene Papas); and on Thursday Miklos Janeso's balletic meditation on Electra. (928 3232/3)

Engineering, Blandford House,

Shuttleworth Collection: Lovers of magnificent flying machines will enjoy this special

evening flying display, which will include a Gloster Gladiator,

an Avro 504 and—weather permitting—a Bleriot. The

collection is one of the finest in the country, covering the field of aviation from its

earliest days. (June 6, 6,30 pm, £1.50 adults, S0p children, Old Warden Aerodrome,

Agricultural shows have much

more to offer than cattle. This,

one of the largest, includes
Royal Navy teams shinning up
80-foot masts, the band of the
1st Battalion Queen's Regiment,

and a display by parachutists.

There are also hackney carriage championships, packs of lox-hounds, sheep-shenring

Biggleswade, Bedfordshire.

South of England Show:

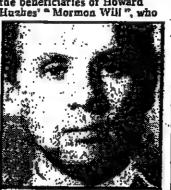
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Newcastle-upon-Tyne on June

Kagemusha: Kurosawa's epic has to be seen; but try to catch it at a cinema where the projection and sound facilities are as good as the film's spectacle deserves. The sixteenth century tale of a criminal who become the warlord's official double and assumes his master's nobility of soul as well as the physi-cal likeness, rises to tragic grandeur. (Gate Mayfair, 493 2031, and selective release)

The Long Good Friday: John Mackenzie's sharp and finely-acted thriller, owing much to Barry Keeffe's admirable scripts, is one of the periodic gleams of hope in British films. Bob Hoskins's London gang boss, whose ideal capitalist-criminal organization is suddenly threatened by unknown but lethal enemies, is a fine character creation. (Selective release)

Melvin and Howard: The misadventures of Melvin Dummar (Paul Le Mat), one of the beneficiaries of Howard



Peter Firth in Roman

claimed that the eccentric Hughes befriended him when he gave him a lift in the desert You either take to Jonathan Demme's easy style or you don't; but the film is rare for its assertion of Renoir's belief that " tout le monde a ses raisons", and for its quality of kindliness. (Gate One, 221 0220; Screen on the Green, 226 3520)

Rough Treatment : Poland's film makers anticipated the events of summer 1980. Andrzej Wajda's 1979 picture detailed the mechanisms that Gierek's Poland had in readiness for inconvenient cirizens. The humiliation and eventual destruction of the journalist-hero undoubtedly reflect Wajda's own experiences after official damning of his Man of Marble. (Camden Plaza, 485 2443)

Stalker: A Soviet artist's allegory on the quality of life and the quest for meanings in it is likely to be elusive : and Andrei Tarkovsky's myth about a scientist, a writer and a guide exploring the forbidden "Zone" is often dark and mysterious.. Tarkovsky, though, is one of the cinema's outstanding visionaries. (Academy Two, 437 5129)

Tess: With extradition agreements inhibiting his entry to Britain, Roman Polanski made a virtue of necessity. using the landscape of Brittany to create an ideal Wessex. The best attempt yet at Hardy's teasingly fatalistic world, the film has an intelligent script and good cast, led by the sombre-eyed, full-lipped Nastassia Kinski. (Empire, 437 1234)

contests, pets' corners and, of course, the livestock. There

will be a creche. (June 11 to

Tiswas: If you or your children

programme, you will know what to expect. Sally James, Chris Tarrant and John Gorman will

13, 9 am-6.30 pm, Ardingly, West Sussex, 044489 2245)

are addicted to this lunatic

Saturday morning television

Museum of London: The minded, has a special summer exhibition: Such Things as Dreams Are Made On— Denham Studios, 1935-1951. Denham Studios, 1935-1951.
Also, in collaboration with the National Film Archive, on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6.10 pm, a series of films " Made in London". This week, the young Olivier in the 1931.
Potiphar's Wife (Tuesday); and the aposee of costume and the apogee of costume romance, The Wicked Lady (Thursday). (600 3699)

Booking opens ... National Film Theatre Postal booking for July opens June 11 and personal booking on June 18. The programme on juic 16. The programme features Anthony Asquith, Blake Edwards, Theo Angelopoulos, Manuel de Oliveira, Hollywood in the Mirror, Enterprise Studios and Ray Harryhausen.

Galleries John Russell Taylor

Irving Penn: Images: Nearly 30 years' work by one of America's leading photographers. Penn is as at home with New Guinea tribesmen as with San Francisco hippies, as interested in a crumpled cigarette cartoon as a ripe female nude, and photographs them all with revealing formality in the studio. (Marlborough Fine Art, 6 Albemarle Street, W1).

Keith Vaughan: One of the lost generation of English neo-romantic painters who were big in the 1940s and nowhere thereafter. This show concentrates on monumental figure compositions from the 1950s, and offers the strongest at Vaughan and his contemporaries. (Geffrye Museum, Kingsland Road, E2)

Philip King: Major retrospec-tive devoted to the British artist most famously responsible for introducing a dash of colour into the sober field of sculptur The earlier works playful, in light weight plastics; the later hefty with chunks of wood and stone, bound together often. vith great industrial cables. A still-developing talent. Also Raymond Moore's expressive landscape photographs. (Hayward Gallery, South Bank)

Robert Rauschenberg: Erstwhile enfant terrible of New York art (but then, what is one among so many?) shows few signs of quietening down in his later work. He is still trying out mad, readily perishable materials, still turning the current images of popular culture to strange and personal ends. Where he started from and where he has provisionally arrived at are both here, with a lot of what came in between. (Tate Gallery)

213th Summer Show: Almost inevitably, the Academy mixture as before. Abstract art not up to much, though they seem to be trying; elsewhere, cheery and colourful, with the usual famous Academicians doing (often finely) what made them famous in the first place. Certainly well up to standard. (Royal Academy; Piccadilly)

Bridget Riley: Two simultaneous selections of recent paintings and large gouaches show the artist still faithful to Oo Art, still teasing our eyes with lines and curves which seem to shift as we watch. But not jangling our

be chucking buckets of water, custard pies and terrible jokes in the general direction of their

telephone for tickets, which cost £4 and £3.50, to this one-off

show. Not suitable for children

of a retiring disposition. (June 11, 8pm, Wimbledon Theatre, London SW19. 946 5211/2)

guests and audience. To join

the latter (and audience participation is essential),

Stephenson's Rocket at the bicentenary exhibition.

colours are gentle, pastel, and dare one say it?—pretty. (Rowan Gallery, 31a-Bruton Place, W.1; Warwick Arts Trust, 33 Warwick Square, SW1)

Mary Potter: Retrospective tribute to one of our senior painters, still painting prolifically and better than ever the age of 80. Charming figurative work dating back to the early 1920s; in the last two decades subject matter has faded into veils and hazes of exquisite colour through which an indeterminate shape may occasionally be glimpsed Irresistible. (Serpentine Gallery)

Jazz/Rock Richard Williams

Bruce Springsteen: He treats every night as if it were his last chance. These three concerts are your last chance. The policy of holding back a block of tickets for sale on the night seems to be having the desired effect of holding black market prices down, so really there prices down, so really there can be no excuse. (June 5, Wembley Arena, Empire Way, Wembley, Middlesex. 902 1234. June 7 and 8, National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham. 021 7804141) 7804141)

Moody Blues: The kings of Moody Blues: The kings of cosmic soft rock return, with a new keyboards player, the much travelled Patrick Moraz. (Jüne S. Apollo, Manchester. 061 2731112. June 6. National Exhibition Centra, Birmingham. 021 7804141. June 7. Colston Hall, Bristol. 0272 291768. June 8 and 9, Royal Albert Hall, London. 589 8212)

Jimmy Witherspoon: The goodhumoured blues shouting veteran leads on entertaining bill which includes the indestructwhich includes the indestruction in the Champion Jack Dupres and Rocket 88, an enjoyable home-grown blues band. (Jane 5.: Crucible, Sheffield. 0742: 760621)

Q-Tips: This soul band's single, "Stay the Way You Are", is at present the best record to be heard on pop radio. (June 8, City Hall, St Albans, 56 610783

Shakin' Stevens: After the longest apprenticeship in the history of rock and roll, the likeable Stevens has made it at last. This concert will be by way of celebration. (June 9, Apollo Victoria, London SWI. 828 6491)

George Benson: Soft-focus jazzunk from the guitarist who began his career by copying Charlie Christian, and then discovered that he possessed a passable voice. (June 10 to 14, Wembley Arena, 902 1234)

Booking opens... Ultravox at Crystal Palace Bowl, June 13: tickets by post from PO Box 281, London N15 5LW. £7.80 plus sae. Pink Floyd at Earls Court, June 13 to 17: tickets available by post from GP Productions. PO Box 4TL, London W1A 4TL £8.80 or £7.80 plus see.

Radio David Wade

Poor Pikeman: A well above average historical drama by Edwin Pearce marking the six hundredth anniversary of the Peasants' Revolt. Resourceful use of radio and a very large and successful performance by Barry Foster in the part of Wat Tyler. Particularly well-placed this week as a companion piece to Who Was Then the Gentleman? (see below). (Radio 4, June 7 at 2.30 pm)

A Trip to Amsterdam: Capital Radio's venture into radio drama deserves every encouragement and support and, in a way, all the more because it has disappointed so far. However Liane Aukin's name as author (she directed War Music-see below-and is herself a capable writer) encourages hopes that this will be one of the better efforts. It tells of a woman's attempts to deal with the dubiousseeming marriage of a much-loved grand-daughter. (Capital Radio, June 7 at (mq 00.8

Who Was Then the Gentleman?: The truth—possibly—behind Poor Pikeman (see above) dug out by Jane Finnis with the help of Asa Briggs, Rodney Hilton and illustrative readings. Ms Finnis is usually a very competent broadcaster; this

ought to make an interesting combination with Sunday's play. (Radio 4, June 9 at 7.50 pm)

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War Music: Christopher Logue's version of Books 16-19 of The Iliad heard for the second time. Not a translation but an account: Logue has taken various English texts, using them as a launching pad for this pyrotechnic piece of work which tells of the death of Patroclus and Achilles' return to the war. Its battle scenes are probably the most scenes are proudury me acce-vivid I have ever met, bur they are balanced by more contemplative passages of equal accomplishment. That equal accomplishment, the writing is laced with calculated modernisms only adds to its effect. Donald Fraser's music is a spleudid addition, but what really turns this into a radio event is Alan Howard's superlative solo performance. Do not be deterred by length; at 105 minutes it seems short. (Radio 3, June 11 at 7.30 pm)

Books Philip Howard

Published this week Bath 1680-1850 by R. S. Neale (Routledge & Kegan Paul; £18): Professor Neale's social history is concerned with the men and women who lived in Bath, and who transformed it from a tiny Cotswold town into the finest Palladian city in the land. Bath seen as microcosm of the transformation brought about by the development of capitalism.

Carnival in Romans by Emmanuel Le Roy Ladurie (Penguin, £3.25): In February 1580 Carnival in Romans was a time of masks and massacres for the divided citizenry. Concentrating on two colourful and bloody weeks, Prefessor Ladurie brilliantly resurrects the social and political events that led to tragedy.

Facts and Fallacies, by Chris Morgan and David Langford (Webb & Bower, £5.95): A collection of definitive mistakes and misguided predictions, from Aristotle's assertion that birds never urinate because that superfluity that could be converted into urine is turned into feathers, to Joseph Stalin declaring in 1935 that gaiety is the most outstanding feature of the Soviet Union".

Father's Day, by Hunter Davies' (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £5.50): Scenes from domestic life as observed from dad's armchair, kitchen sink, and driving seat, with humour for these liberated times.

Heavy Sand, by Anatoli Rybakov (Allen Lane, £7.95): The story of a large and closely knir Russian/Jewish family from the beginning of the century to the end of the last war and extermination in a gherto. Rybakov says: "I wanted to show the Jews as a people like any other. . . . I've invented nothing."

The Macmillan Encyclopaedia (Macmillan, £14.95): 1,376
pages, 1,500,000 words, 6,000
biographies of celebrated men
and women, key concepts in
modern thought, taxonomy, geography, botany, organizations, and all in all as many facts dealt with summarily as can possibly be squeezed into a single volume.

Tales from the Newgate Calendar, by Rayner Heppenstall (Constable, £8.50): Old favourites (Dick Turpin, Jack Sheppard, Captain Kidd, et al) swing in jolly, skilful rehash of lugubrious eighteenth-century prison tales.

Events

Brodsky: the leading Russian poet, Joseph Brodsky, and Anthony Hecht, the American poet and translator, make rare visits to London on Sunday to give a reading of their work at the Riverside Studios. Hammersmith, at 7.30 pm. Frances Horovitz will read translations of Brodsky's work, (742 2251)

Cambridge Poetry Festival: Fifth year of the only British festival devoted solely to poetry. It has always had an nternational flavour, and the evening readings provide a platform for poets from other countries as well as well-known British poets. The rest of the programme is organized around performance ad reflection about modern poetry. Star turn next Tuesday in Robinson College the Mandelstam conference.

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Talent in

For decades the summer-term

For decades the summer-term opera production of the Guildhall School of Music and Dramm has been a welcome fixture, usually though not always a Mozart opera, performed for one week in Cambridge by a happy tradition (in my time the modent cast of the GSM Cosi fan tatte had William McAlpine and Geraint Evans as the lovesick officers), then for another week in the college's theatre.

another week in the college's theatre.

This week, as Guildhall Opera tout court, the London performances are given, for allcomers to attend, at Sadler's Wells Theatre. Mozart's Figuro (sung in Dent's English version) shares the week with last term's much acclaimed double-bill of Rossini's first opera, La cambiale di matrimonio, and Suppe's Zehn Mädchen und kein Matn, Englished as "Ten Belles without a Ring".

In the double-bill of Rossini and Suppe, sensibly played

and Suppe, sensibly played against the same country house

interior, the former brought forward two promising so-pranos, Jennifer Higgins and, more polished, Miyuki Morimoto, "Ten Belles" was

the real discovery, a spectacular comedy about a widower (Kim Begley, a skilful character actor with a decent singing voice) intent on marrying off his 10

intent on marrying off his 10 thughters.

There is delightful music in the Johann Strauss vein, military and national costumes for the girls, song, dance, arms drill and formation marching, an amusing English script by Don White and George Hauger, and a spirited production by Tom Hawkes. Plenty of comic and musical talent was on show notably from Iddy Pearl as the

notably from Jady Pearl as the pretty housemaid. Elisabeth Stirling in a Scotush number, and Ian Smith as the prospective Suitor.

Figuro is given a straightforward production by Johanna Peters, good on clarity and pace of action, short on natural deportment and movement, short too on keen characterization. The Course and Country

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GSM operas

Sadler's Wells

THE ARTS

An exhilarating view of teenage fantasy life

Gregory's Girl (A)

Screen on the Green, Islington (June 11)

That Sinking Feeling

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Portrait of Teresa

Gate 3, Camden Town

Soldier Girls (AA) $1+1=3\,(AA)$

Phoenix, East Finchley, Paris Pullman

Germany, Pale Mother (AA)

Screen on the Hill, Hampstead

Nighthawks (X)

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deard for

As writer and director of That Sinking Feeling and Gregory's Girl, Bill Forsyth instantly establishes himself as a comic author of singular gifts. In any other country this — and the fact that singlehanded Forsyth has demonstrated the possibility of a native Scottish feature cinema — would have been proudly proclaimed long ago. In Britain we are still so diffident about the possibility of a national cinema that eighteen months and six months, respectively, have gone by since That Sinking Feeling and Gregory's Cirl were premièred at successive London Film Festivals; and it has taken until now for the films to be publicly shown in London.

Better late than never: That Sinking Feeling opens at the ICA this week, and Gregory's Girl at the Screen on the Green next, and I can only exhort anyone and everyone to see these bugely arrived to see the see the see that the second to see the second to second to see the second to see the second to see the second to second to see the second to see the second to see the second to second to see the second to see the second to see the second to second to see the second to see the second to see the second to sec anyone and everyone to see these hugely enjoyable pictures. That Sinking Feeling was Bill Forsyth's first, shoestring attempt with actors, and is less polished and assured than Gregory's Girl: the performances are uneven; the gags are sometimes hard pushed; there is often a tentative air. But it is also more abandoned in its joyous absurdicies, and often the more likeable for its very imperfections.

imperfections.

The film clearly grew out of the abilities and the experiences (as memployees and occasional delinquents) of the members of the Glasgow Youth Theatre,
The hero (Robert Buchanan) is
a whippetty youth who inveigles
a group of his contemporaries
— jobless like himself — into a
lunatic plot to steal a load of
stainless steel sinks from a

plumbers; warehouse.

The elaborate plan of the heist involves two of the boys heist involves two of the boys dressing up as cleaning ladies as decoys for libidinous nightwatchman, and drugging a van driver into a Rip Van Winkle slumber. It all builds up to a pitch of absurdity with the getaway van being switched for an identical vehicle filled with doughnuts and pasties; and a scientific investigation of the sleeping vanman which includes that he will snooze until A.D.2068. Throughout it, though, the youngsters retain their own daft reality and gift for philosophical one-liners like "There must be more to life

ior philosophical one-liners like "There must be more to life than suicide".

While That Sinking Feeling soars into fairy tale, Gregory's Girl Sticks closer to realistic possibilities, or at least contains itself within the fantasy view of life of teenage schoolchildren. Gregory (Gordon John Sinclair, who, like most of the rest of the cast. also appears in That cast, also appears in That Sinking Feeling) is a great silly Sinking Feeling) is a great silly streak of a boy with the absorbed obsessiveness that frequently afflicts the adolescent male, and who attributes his dizziness to growing too fast, He cannot remember to switch off electric toothbrushes, and jay-walks to school, jumping around fending off imaginary assailants.

He is no odder, for all that, than the rest of his school-mates, every one of them thrown off-centre by some odd obsessive interest. (One is a passionate photographer, another a pastrycook, a third a



the comedian Chic Murray plays the headmaster who, besides his musical interlude, grows inde-cently gluttonous over the products of the cookery class. The film is packed with treats factophile). The only thing they have in common and which slightly sharpens their focus on life is a growing curiosity about

and treasures: Gregory's sweet reliance on the mature protec-tion and advice of his little sister; Gregory teaching "hori-zontal dancing" to a newly discovered girlfriend; lovely throwaway inventions of miseen-scene such as a conversation shot on a playground round-about.

Above all these two films are

Above all these two films are the clearest demonstration that talent is not bought with money. Forsyth (whether as a thrifty Scot or a film-maker who knows what he is doing) brought in Gregory's Girl below his budget of £200,000. (That means, just by rule of thumb, that you might finance seventy or eighty such films for the price of one Raise the Tuanic.) That Sinking Feeling, he says, cost nothing at all spart from the film stock: everyone invested his services on a cooperative basis. Yet these two films are as lively in look as any you can currently find in London, and a lot more entertaining.

The rest of the week's films are concerned with women. Portrait of Teresa is a close-to-life story of a woman's struggle for independence in Castro's Cuba. Clearly Socialism cannot eradicate overnight the rooted attitudes of a Latin Catholic

society. "Women are women and men are men", says Teresa's mother in-law; "and even Fidel can't aher that."

Teresa's husband, a television repair man, is a mice enough guy and good at his job, but he cannot see why his wife wants to do a job, and be active in social and cultural life instead of simply devoting herself to the home, the family and him. Teresa (a fine performance by Daysi Granados) battles for her place in life. By the end of the film she has brought him some way on the road, though there is still the hurdle of the sexual double standard.

Apart from the delicacy with which it explores the marital problems of this likeable couple, Pastor Vega's film has the special attraction of reveal-

the special attraction of revealing graphically how another society lives — their clothes, their food and the quality of everyday life.

everyday life.

Nick Broomfield and Joan Churchill (Juvenile Liaison, Tattooed Tears) are skilful chema verité reporters In Soldier Girls they bring us painfully, embarrassingly close to the violent experiences to which female soldiers are exposed in a basic training camp (It is a picture which exposes the rosy view of Private Benjamin).

Broomfield and Churchill

Broomfield and Churchill work very much in the manner of The American documentarist Fred Wiseman. The difference is that, though Wiseman leaves

night would be truly wrong-headed.

True, it is very much a period piece, but a very good period piece. McKnight Kanffer's designs still make a strong effect, and de Valois has provided some really meaty roles, which the Sadler's Wells dancers make the most of. Arthur Bliss's score stands up remarkably well too, nicely played by the Covent Garden orchestra, conducted by Barry Wordsworth.

The Red Knight was one of David Asimole's very first-roles, and he now brings a greater authority to the clean-

first London performances, from Jane Manning and Barry Guy. Moonlight was a common

theme and the nightmare world of Pierrot Lunaire was never far

away. Most striking of all was Richard Rodney Bennett's Nightpiece, his first electronic

Nightpiece, his first electronic work, written in 1972 for Jane Manning. For this sinister Baudelaire setting, about evil influences preying on a small child. Bennett uses a tape featuring among other things his own voice. Miss Manning, lit in ghostly blue-green, gave a virtuear performance as indeed

virtuoso performance, as indeed she did of all the items in the programme; this is the kind of music she is associated with and

Unparalleled historical source

True, it is very much a period.

you asking questions, you feel you are in possession of all the facts. With Broomfield and Churchill there is always the sense that you ought to know something more. Here the close-up attention on a couple of hopeless and humiliated rookies leaves you to wonder what it is that makes most of the other girls so cheerful (apparently) to accept the brutalizing process ("We wanna (apparently) to accept the brutalizing process ("We wanna kill an I-Ray-Ni-An" they chant as they march Merrily along the road). And is this inhuman process of bullying and humiliation the ad hoc device of these particular drill sergeants, or the Ultimate product of some sophisticated Peutagon plan? The answer does not all lie in the self-conscious confession of the roughest sergeant, in the

A young man's fancy lightly turning, in the dressing-room and on the field: Gordon

John Sinclair and Dee Hepburn in Gregory's Girl

the roughest sergeant, in the last scene, that after Vietnam 'A part of your humanity . . . it's never going to be there again." The danger is that if this kind of expose can be suspected of selectivity, the spectacle of people's pain may become voyeurist rather than informa-

Showing with Soldier Girls is Heidi Genee's l+1=3, an accurely observed record of a woman's pregnancy and her indecisions over love, marriage, career, motherhood and family. A certain sense of muddle is germane to the subject, though it may well have been heightened by extensive cutting since the film's original appear-

cut, schoolboy heroics of the character. As the Black Queen, Margaret Barbieri is steely strong, icy cold and fatally beautiful. David. Bintley is making his debut as the Red King and, though be begins a little tentatively, his defiance of the invading black pieces, feeble in body but strong in spirit, is moving and effective.

really well performed, doubtless thoroughly rehearsed by de Valois herself. Every dancer seemed to know not only what he or she should be doing, but

which she always does superbly.

The programme began with Nigel Osborne's Madeleine de la

Sainte Beaume, whose text, dealing with the penitent Magda-

lene, is in Latin, Hebrew, Greek and Arabic. Using a wide vocal range and unconventional

Osborne's piece reaches a hysterical climac, the intensity of Miss Manning's performance

or Miss Manning's performance was redoubled as her voice rang thrillingly round the church.

Barry Guy, too, was required to produce tone in unorthodox ways; his contribution throughout was dynamic and he had the stage to himself in Hubert Stupppner's Ausdrucke, Rondo

instruments.

percussion

ance in Germany a couple of

Another director, Helma Sanders, offers in Germany, Pale Mother, and in Germany, Pale Mother, and exercise in early — even prenatal — autobiography. The film relates the odyssey of her parents from marriage in Nazi Germany through the separations and privations of the war into a still more difficult peace. The film is often touching, and Eva Mattes is excellent in the role of the mother; yet for all the director's personal involvement, and her self-portrait and small child, there is an odd air of detachment about this careof detachment about this careful, dogged film.

International terrorists are International terrorists are the obvious new quarry for the cops. In Nighthawks the terrorist (Rutger Hauer) is an enigmatic bundle of malice and disguises; and since the cop is played by Sylvester Stallone of the nobody-at-home face he is pretty enigmatic too. When enigma faces enigma, there is little drama as in the confrontation of irresistible force and little drama as in the confrontation of irresistible force and immovable object. Which only leaves the chase; and, since this kind of chase can only be prolonged if the antagonists make sudden shifts from omniscient invulnerability to extreme stupidity, the characters are thrown still futher into tiresome implausibility.

David Robinson

The evening, which ended with Kenneth MacMillan's Elite

Judith Cruickshank

for a Clown. Another neurotic

piece, this, in which the performer dressed as a clown, practises his instrument com-

practises his instrument com-pulsively, competing with its sound on tape. All performing musicians will have found moments they identified with,

but the piece as presented by Mr Guy is too farcical to be

realistic, yet too manic to be

Other works were by Anthony Gilbert, Edward McGuire (Moon Songs) and Colin Seamarks (Six Mehitabel Magpies), the last

striking a more successful chord of humour.

Barry Millington

short too on keen characterization. The Count and Countess, Cherubino too, looked ill-st-ease in their unbecoming costumes; Figaro behaved like a puppet. Yvonne Egan had the measure of Susanna and dominated the drama as she should, singing with charm and confidence, and treating the last finale as seriously as her showpiece, "Deh vieni", which precedes it. Andrew Hambley-Smith, the Ahnaviva, made a good vocal impression as did Brian Scott in much of Figaro's music. Eileen Hulse exuded sweetness and capability, as Barbarinas incline to do. Marcia Swanston and Gabriel Sadeh justified the inclusion of their optional last act arias. Appoggiaturas were for once, plentiful and welcome. Vilem Tausky conducted sagely, not always watched by his singers, who would often have preferred to hurry. with Kenneth MacMillan's Elite Syncopations, began with Galina Samsova's production of Paquita, the perfect tonic for tired Tsars. Samsova herself danced the leading role, handsomely partnered by Ashmole. With her unfussy Russian style, her lightness, strength and womanliness, she is a real preferred to hurry. William Mann womanliness, she is a real ballerina. In the tricky fourth variation, Nicola Katrack looked every inch a future





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Theatre

Billy Bishop Goes to War

Comedy

ia:

This Canadian two-hander richly deserves its transfer from the Edinburgh Festival to the West End, but a second viewing strengthens my doubts about the story Eric Peterson and John Gray have to tell as well as my admiration for the skill with which they stage it.

A tribute to Canada's First World War flying ace, it tracks World War Ilying ace, it tracks Billy Bishop's career from his miserable start in the cavalry to his transfer to the Royal Flying Corps, where he outdid the ace British pilot, Albert Ball, by bringing down 72 German planes before being loaded with medals and pulled out of action by a high command who feared that his death would injure the morale of Britain's colonial allies, who "have a morbid enthusiasm for life".

Billy, it seems, took to flying Billy, it seems, took to flying mainly to get out of the mud, and never became a particularly proficient pilot. What he did discover in himself was the killer instinct, and much more powerful than any of the restaged dog-fights is the sight of the erstwhile greenhorn lolling in a mess armchair and holding forth on the arts of slaughter. That is one thing that



happens to him. The other thing nappens to him. The other thing is his brief spell as a lion of London high society, decorated by the Kire; ("Well, Captain Bishop, you've been a busy bugger") and waltzing the nights away under the palace chandeliers. From first to last, he is

treated as a colonial roughneck who has to be taught his place: and, just as he obeyed the order to swallow a spider during his to swallow a spider during his basic training, so he obeys the orders of his titled patron, to act in a manner becoming a national figurehead and to keep his appointments with his "betters" (such as Lord Beaverbrook!).

The show presents these facts, but leaves the questions

they raise entirely untouched: not only the public question of imperial arrogance; but the personal question of why Billy swallowed such treatment without any apparent resentment. Ar the end, you do not know whether the war is supposed to have made a man of him or whether even that experience has failed to dispel his sense of

the first rank, never mistiming a gesture, a line or a grimace of his amiable, wide-eyed pixel face. The supporting cast are as expert, and the greatest test is Forsyth's ability to blend a tried professional into the ensemble:

The girls, for their part, are a

lot more knowing and self-possessed, and tolerant, in a

lot more knowing and selfpossessed, and tolerant, in a
patronizing, testy, maternal
way, of their infantile male
companions. Gregory falls foolishly in love with a girl football
player who replaces him in the
forward line; but, when her
mind proves to be inextricably
stuck into the game, he finds
his affections adapt quite easily.
Forsyth's best comedy comes
out of his delight in other
people's introversion and preoccupation, the amiable, blind
pursuit, in grown-ups as well as
the kids, of private strange
concerns. There is a fine
inconsequent moment when the
acidulous headmaster is caught
happily inkering out a ragtime
tune, during break, absemiy
dismissing the small boys who
have come to watch.
Forsyth is not only a prodigal
inventor of comedy, but he has
the gift of turning all his cast
into richly accomplished comic
actors. Gordon John Sinclair is
in real life an apprentice
electrician; but under Forsyth's
direction he is a comedian of
the first rank, never mistiming
a gesture, a line or a grimace of

has failed to dispel his sense of cultural inferiority.

Mr Gray, narrator, pianist, anthor, and composer of the show, is not equally effective in all departments. He lets slip many an occasion for tronic contrast between comradeship at the front and frosty patronage in Portman Square; and he has an unhappy taste for jog-trot ballads in the style of R. W. Service. Musically he is a most sensitive and resourceful accompanist; and some passages are superbly constructed.

A section on survival, for

and it is a pity that his innocent Billy does not see more of what his alter egos are getting up to. Irving Wardle

With a more direct response to the irony of the title, the production would move more lightly through Gorky's picture of changing mores. The characters who offer some contrast to the enclosed misery of the family — the lusty widow who response the some the desplace. seduces the son, the drunken philosophizing lodger, the quaint old vagrant who comes to tea — could boost the energy and make the play more obviously the precursor to The Lower Depths which it is.

It is due a more mature production, and it has distinct values as a text, although I wish the provenance of Jean Bene-detti's adaptation was more clearly credited.

Ned Chaillet

to those early utterances, a demonstration of the feminist ideal perhaps. That disappears as the characters become friends, united around a single woman who has chosen to bear a child rather than have an abortion, although her male lovers have abandoned her, as has her father. With good performances from

ance of equal characterization, with lesbian teacher, unwed mother, young wife and free-loving hippy all: allowed to develop when the story could do with more concentration. The with more concentration. The seriousness of bearing and giving away a child is finally stressed by Michele Copsey's performance, but the colouring of its darker emotions comes from Carol Leader, who reveals an equally painful wound that

Ned Chaillet by letter, In 1540 Lord Lisle was

Checkmate ...

Covent Garden

A Royal Ballet anniversary season without revivals of the founder's beliets would be unthinkable, and while regular inthinitable, and while regular ballet-goers might plead for the less-familiar. Job to join, her masterpiece, The Rake's Progress, in the repertory of the Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet, to sporn Checkmats when danced with as much drama and conviction as the company brought to it on Wednesday

Manning/Guy Spitalfields "Well met by moonlight" was the title of the most off-bear of the concerts in this year's Spitalfields Festival. Spotlight

Spitalfields Festival. Spotlight rather than moonlight, to be precise, but in any case Hawksmoor's splendid Christ Church (its renovation still progressing) takes on a new grandeur in the dark; Wednesday's late-night concert ended just after midnight.

The programme was of pieces for soprano and double bass, many of them receiving their A section on survival, for instance, combines the birth of Billy the Killer with his letters home. French night-club song, and the sounds of warfare, all

and the sounds of warfare, all achived within the structure of one prolonged number.

Mr Peterson, a slight figure in old cavalry breeches, plays the hero and 19 other parts, some distinctly more successful than others. He is at his best with idio? British establishment, and it is a nire that his imporent

people who rebel against the rigid stance of an ageing father, the head of the respectable

might be assumed guilty of negligence or worse by the suspicious king. But estates had to be run, food had to be bought, Lady Lisle's seven children by her previous marriage had to be educated and placed in the world, friends had to be cultivated and news of

the company of seven women, the play overcomes the imbal-

letters is that they give the most vivid picture of life at the top in Tudor England because the Lisles were expatriates in Calais and had to do everything

hat Henry VIII bestrode like an

unsteady Colossus. We have published for the first time an

unparalleled source for six-teenth century social and political history.

Arthur Plantagenet, Viscount

Lisle, was the illegitimate son of Edward IV. In 1533 Henry VIII

appointed him Lord Deputy of Calais, England's last toehold in

France. The elderly Plantagenet

took with him his second wife,

Lady Houor, For the next seven years every detail of their public and private lives was conducted by letter. All political

acts had to be documented,

because without a record one

to be cultivated and news of

what as going on back home in the sabre-toothed court had to

be passed. For seven years letters were sent almost daily across the Channel between Arthur, his dear bedfellow, and

their confidential agent and man-of-all-work and gossip,

The paradox about the Lisle

accused of treason, and the whole correspondence was seized by order of the tyrant king. Since then the 3,000 letters have been kept in 18 letters have been kept in 18 volumes known as State Papers III in the Public Record Office, seldom disturbed except by diligent. Tudor, historians on trawling expeditions, and unknown outside the small circle of scholars.

Muriel St Clare Byrne first met traces of them in a nineteenth-century selection of Letters of Royal and Illustrious Ladies. She met them again when working on her edition of

On Wednesday we recover from oblivion the lost moment of Tudor, England... The Lisle letters are being published in six volumes by the Chicago University Press after almost 50 years of compiling and editing by Muriel St Clare Byrne, who had her eighty-sixth birthday on May 31. Men and women who have been dead for four and a half centuries seem to walk and talk and write to each other again in the dangerous world that Henry VIII bestrode like an when working on her edition of The Letters of King Henry VIII, and decided that they deserved a wider audience. Miss Byrne a wider audience. Miss Byrne was a bright young Somerville graduate, friend and literary executor of Dorothy Sayers, and about to be prolific author and writer of plays. For the next 50 years she kept herself by teaching at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, lecturing, and writing to make time for the Lisles. She lives in scholarly confusion in a terraced house in St John's Wood. raced house in St John's Wood, with Tudor books and papers piled in haphazard heaps wherever there is a surface to take a pile, and Dorothy's favourite seat worn threadbare.

The splendid old lady retains the enthusiasms of the Somer-ville gal: "I laughed like a drain when I saw they had bound the letters in red, white, and blue with a touch of gold. . . Letters are not my own favourite formof amusement: I never write.
one if I can avoid it." In 1941 T. S. Eliot signed up the monumental project for Faber & Faber. Miss Byrne imagined that the Lisles had

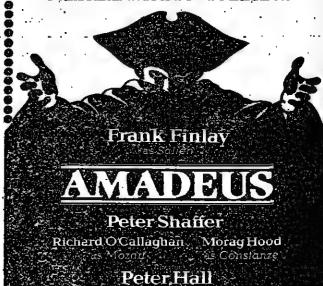
been evacuated to a place of safety with the other important sarety with the other important state papers. Towards the end of the war she learnt that they had remained in the PRO throughout the Blitz, on the grounds that they were domestic not state papers, and ran home crying with relief. Costs rose and the work grew until the manuscript would have filled 4,000 large printed pages. Fabers had reluctantly to drop out, and Chicago took up the Lisles. And here, after 50 years, they are, 1,687 letters, six volumes of 600 pages each, parrative, notes, comments. narrative, notes, comments, index, a manuscript weighing 50

Put it another way. They are an unrivalled source of social history about every detail of the daily life of an upper class Tudor family. They are an univalled source for the devel-opment of the language, rich with examples of the natural writing of all sorts and conditions of men and women before the elaboration and artifice of the Elizabethans. They also throw light into black corners of Tudor politics, particularly the fall of Cromwell, the conventional view of Lisle as an incompetent old bungler, and the whole perilous relationship of the men at the

The letters indicate that Lisle was framed by Cromwell on the false charge that he was planning to betray Calais to Cardinal Pole. They illuminate much else that is dark in Tudor history. They bring back to life the long-dead. Read Husee on the execution of Anne Boleyn, or on the King's roving eye lingering on candidates for wife that we have never heard mentioned before. His "poor advice" is always shrewd; more so that when he advises Lisle how to handle Henry VIII. If he must write to the King, then the fewer lines the better, "for I have heard say that his Grace loveth not to read long letters." These letters are a joy to read. They represent half a century of mountainous labour by the last of the old-fashioned, amateur, freelance scholars.

Philip Howard

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A Respectable Family

Shaw

It would be in keeping with the spirit of the National Youth Theatre if its home base, the Shaw Theatre at King's Cross, were somehow to become a base for all Britain's young theatre: a metropolitan venue for child ren's companies and acting schools, open to the regular challenge of professional work and standards, but maintained for the benefit of young actors.

Of course, subsidy and young

people are incompatible in the present philosophy of the Arts Council. It is instead private determination that brings the Rose Bruford College of Speech and Drama into the Shaw with a production of a rare Gorky, A Respectable Family. That sort

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many years, the threats to the life of that theatre have been entirely unreasonable, and New York theatre has thrived for years on the support for such venues. Perhaps the unseemly

that is almost entirely feminine. Only the performers create Even more than the play, the that impression, however, for the play is by a man, the revivification of the Theatre at original direction is by a man and the somewhat revised New End is a salutary event, and the somewhat revised Although it was a mortuary for production for London is by another man. Men know that there is a

world where women meet and men may not intrude, and Anthony Minghella's play slides into that area with a great deal venues. Perhaps the unseemly hours of a mortuary account for the new intention to establish a reputation based on late-night performances, but the opening production is more in keeping with the recent past.

The studio of the Leicester Haymarket Theatre has provided several of the most adroit transfers into the space, when it was not creating its own contribution, while Music is a contribution,

of choice is always a sensible challenge, and has unearthed valuable texts like The Suicide valuable texts like The Suicide in the past. At its best, the rare text forces students beyond the patterns of other performances, but that does not quite happen with Gorky, perhaps because Rose Bruford, which gave the English premiere of the play in 1973, is now treating it as a school property.

The play has a compelling character of its own, an agitated force that overcomes the gloom of Percy Steven's production, but it leaves itself vulnerable to Russian cliches, to the twilight humour of English Chekhov, and many of the performers slide into familiar interpretations. The advantage of the play and the production becomes its emphasis in the turn-of-the-century generation gap in provincial Russia, with most

the parts going to young slotted into the main hours of the theatre with an intensity

How Mitterrand views himself and the world

In his first interview since his election, the French President talks to James Reston

being able to negotiate without jeopardizing one's strength, ie. national ownership what belongs the world balance of power, if one believes in the usefulness of the Atlantic alliance, if one believes, as I do, in the fundamental unity of our civilization, then we can perfectly well talk then we can perfectly well talk among ourselves even if the United States and Britain have conservative Governments. And its is precisely among friends

that one can say no. Reston: It seems almost that whatever problem comes up, it is discussed in East-West terms, whereas your emphasis is on North-South dialogue. Is that a rather serious difference of

rather serious difference of approach?
President: My position on East-West relations is simple: the defence of peace requires a world balance of power—an obvious statement—and 'a' sufficiently balanced situation in Europe. I shall therefore always be in favour of what is required to maintain such a balance. That is why I was the first political leader in France to protest against the installation of SS-20 missiles on the Russian-

German border. When I was running for the presidency, neither the Americans; the Russians nor the German Government was very much in my favour. Luckily the

French people were of a different opinion.

Reston: You have come to power saying you wish to nationalize more of the French economy. Mr Reagan has come to power promising to do exactly the pposite, to empha-size free enterprise. Is that a problem? lem does not exist.

President: Mr Reagan's election I know what their objection

Reston: In some parts of the West at present, including the United States and Britain, there seems to be a political move to the right. In France you have seemed to move to the left. Is that a problem?

President: I don't believe this should prove a problem. One cannot always agree on everything, at least not before discussing things. One must first define ones aims. If one's aim is to do all in one's power to safeguard peace, if that requires being able to negotiate without jeopardizing one's strength, ie.

and myself.

At present the share of French production which is nationalized following De Gaulle's action is 12 per cent. My proposals would increase that percentage to 17. General De Gaulle nationalized the civi-han aircraft industry but not the military aircraft industry. Is that logical?

Reston: From my reading of what you have said in the past about the Israeli-Arab conflict, you seem to have taken a more you seem to have taken a hore sympathetic position toward Israel, and yet, as I understand what you have also said, you do favour a Palestinian state in east Jordan. Can those two ideas be reconciled President: I have constantly expressed the same position at all

times. In Algers, alongside President Boumedigne, speaking live on television, I said to the Algerians that nothing would be possible before they recogbe possible before they recognized Israel's right to exist.

I said the same thing in Cairo, to Sadat, long before the peace treaty. And I have always told my friends in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv that they should recognize that the Palestinians should have a homeland. I am a friend of Israel, and I shall do nothing to endanger Israel's existence nor the means to exist hut I do not means to exist, but I do not think that it is realistic to pretend that the Palestinian prob-



President Mitterrand: people in the West must strengthen

is: they say they do not want as they please, the structures an additional state in the of a state.

Middle East. They would be I remain the friend of the prepared to envisage a Jordan-Israeli leaders because I have Palestinian solution as before the Six-Day War when the West Bank was called Transjordan, I would not pursue policies which would do, because I am in favour of bilateral negotiations

I was the only leader of a major political party in France to have come out publicly in favour of bilateral negotiations between opponents. I am simply saying that it is normal that the Palestinians should have a homeland where they will build, I was the only leader of a major political party in France to have come out publicly in support of the Camp David agreements.

Reston: Are we getting into

their faith in their civilization.

always been very frank with them and they know that I would not pursue policies which would harm them.

on political grounds. I have a fairly good knowledge of black Africa, with which I have had numerous contacts throughout my political career. It would be unused to encourage practical care

Reston: Is religion a part of this philosophy, that you are talking about, that you feel essential to your secular work. President: I come from a very religious family. My mother had eight children. She went to Mass at 6 each morning. She kept a diary when she was young, and I still have it. Her family was middle-class, fairly well off. She got up every morning at 5 and spent three hours a day in meditation. She was a friend of Francois Mauriac in a day in medication. She was a friend of Francois Mauriac in her youth. When I became a student she sent me to see him and he became my friend, And despite political differences we remained friends until his death.

of France. We have the same part landscapes in the mind's eye. We have certainly something religious in common—or rather, a feeling of transcendence.

Reston: In your inaugural statement you issued what I thought was a kind of cry for greaf plans and above all a cry for hope, almost as if you felt there was a danger of pessimism in Europe and in the West. Was that what was in your mind?

President: Without being a pessimist, what I do feel is that in the West and in the Europeag communist countries there is no guiding thought.

We are in a mechanized system in which thinking has become of France. We have the same

trouble with one another over stereotyped, and in which South Africa?

President: The rejection of lated in their minds and in apartheid is important, not their hearts the new power of only on moral grounds but also the information media. Also, because of the economic crisis, most leaders tend to take a technocratic approach, as if life could be reduced to

numerous contacts throughout any political career. It would be unwise to eucourage practices, such as apartheid, that are liable to cause serious problems for the continent. I would be against all racism. One has to accept the precenimence of great universal principles or abandon any hope of making progress in world society.

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pursuits—walking, writing and reading. Is that correct? President: That is true. I have chosen a political career

which runs counter to a powerful streak in my personality. I
already suffer from my personal freedom being curtailed,
but yet I have chosen to do
what I am doing. I must be
more a man of action than I

emained friends until his thought I was, eath.

But I am not going to let we come from the same part my official duties invade my France. We have the same whole life. Man is like a tree,

Frank Johnson

They know what they like in Warrington

Warrington
We knew we had reached the
militant North, for a feminist
slogan on a roadside wall explained: "Sutcliffe: not mad,
male." Militant North London,
that is; Archway Road, Highgate, on the way to the Mi.
One had read in Time Out
about the hard life of folk up
there in the Hampstead-Swiss
Cottage conurbation—the lack

there in the Hampstead-Swiss Cottage conurbation—the lack of adequate crèche facilities for mothers studying psychology with the Open University, and so on. It was not surprising that Marx and even Mr Benn appeared to have support in these parts. Yet the lecturers and documentary film-makers who have historically provided the area with its industrial base are clearly attracted to the Social Democrats, Mr William Rodgers lured a crowd of 600 the other evening. Past row upon row of humble, yet proudly kept homes, furnished in the region's traditional "Habitat" materials, we pressed on towards Warrington.

"Habitat" materials, we pressed on towards Warrington. On the journey the radio messages from London were indistinct. The Liberals would stand down for a Social Democrat, but only if the Social Democrat were famous. Fame undoubtedly sits on Mrs Shirley Williams and Mr Roy Jenkins, one mused. They would prob-ably know of them in Warring.

ton.
But did the definition include Professor David Marquand? No one doubts his ability. He once wrote the definitive life of Ramsay MacDonald. It was

of Ramsay MacDonald. It was weighty. Indeed, it weighed about half a ton. But is he famous? Well, he looks a little like Mr Alan Bennett. Perhaps that will do.

Later crackling messages received from the capital when we were past the Newport Pagnall service area intimated that Mrs Williams was wavering. She might be too busy.

This raised the possibility of Mr Jenkins. That in turn raised the possibility of an epic con-

the possibility of an epic con-frontation between those fam-ous, drawling, W-sounding Rs of his, and the equally picturesque speech of the people of Warrington. Mr Jenkins would stroll grandly around the town expressing the view that such and such a problem was a "sewers martyr".

The locals would be baffled. Who was this unknown hero of the local public health depart the local public health department? Eventually it would dawn on them that what he meant was that, it was a serious matter. In turn, they would express the view that he sounded a daft bugger to rhyme with "daft sugar."

The by-election would be a triumph for all who believe in fostering mutual misunderstanding between voters and politicians.

"Once you touch Manchester

or any of its satellite towns you are really in Lancashire." Friestley wrote of the general region in his English Journey, published in 1934. "Why Lancashire should have become almost the official accent of music hall humour is something of a mystery . . But that rather flat but broad-vowelled speech-much less attractive, to my ear and mind, than the companion speech of Yorkshire—is admirable for comic effect, being able to suggest either shrewdness or simplicity It lends itself, too, to ironical under-statements.™

Priestley praises the region's "impish delight in mocking whatever is thought to be affected and pretentious," but then warns that such an atti-tude means that people "may miss a lot by always being in terror of seeming affected pretentious . . . Swaggering bad poets, for example, would have a wretched time of it in these parts, but so too would really

good ones."
What, then, do all these rather flat, broad-vowelled, shrewd, simple, ironically-under-

stating, poet-bashing music hall comedians think about a Social Democratic candidate at their forthcoming by-election? In so ever be a guide in these matters
—and what other guides are
there?—the clear impression
emerged that all possible Social
Democratic candidates would be regarded as essentially poets. That is to say, unusual, airy-

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fairy, southern.
One concedes that people are not necessarily at their con-sidered best when approached in the pub by a total stranger from the South and asked their opinion about, inter alia, someone called Professor Marquand. But, for example, Mr Nicholas Taylor, a young optician, and his friend Desmond, also an

his friend Desmond, also an optician, sounded eminently sensible in the lounge of the Lord Daresbury

He did not seem to have heard of the professor. Worse, "most of our patients don'really know who Shirlev Williams is", he said. If she wasn't Labour she wouldn't get in, These patients would rote Labour. So would most people. They think Labour is the party They think Labour is the party that gives them the benefits. He himself had noticed that,

when Labour were in, he sor more business—more benefits, more patients. But what about Mr Foot and Mr Benn and ex-tremism and all that? Wasn't that putting people off?

Desmond interjected to say that Mr Foot was regarded as "a geriatric joke" and Mr Bean was not particularly popular. But that did not make any difference. People's loyalty was

to "Labour".

Next, one sought the opinion of Mr Harry Rigby, the chairman of the distillery which makes Vladivar, that brew which made Warrington famous even before the town become the object of the Social Demothe object of the Social Demo-crats' determined vacillation. He was a Warringtonian and looked the part—solidly-built, cautious, knowledgeable about Rugby League. Would I care for some Vladivar? Certainly. Wasn't he having some bimself. "No, not my drink. Bitter's mine, an occasional whisky too." Nothing wrong with Vladivar, mind. He thought Mrs Williams

would do rather well. She was an intelligent woman. But of course Old Labour would win. Mr Rigby's view was representa-tive of Warrington's ruling class.

On the crucial question of who would win, it did not differ from that of the masses though there was disagreement as to Mrs Williams's or Mr Jen-kins's qualities. In the Bull's Head in Church Street, no one denied the intelligence of those politicians; they just did not

People were more interested in the fact that I had met Mr Rigby, for Vladivar is a con-troversial subject — being re-garded as an essentially effentnate substance made from the South. I ventured that, in fact, wodka wa sassociated with mas-culinity in places like Poland "Bur this isn't bloody Poland," said a drinker, with some of that deflating shrewdness noted by Priestley.

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It is a difficult prospect for the Social Democrats. The local Labour Party is not going to oblige by putting up a Bennite or anyone especially raving. Be-cause of the diversification of local industry, no single union dominates the local party selection process. Unlike a few miles away on Merseyside, there are few of those rancorous Trotskvites.

Admittedly because it already begins with a W, Mr Jenkins will not sound wrong when be pronounces "Warrington." But if he does fight the teat he will be a much braver man than a lot of us have so far credited him and will deserve endless

David Watt

A setback or a stepping stone for Benn?

So Tony Bean has had his come-uppance. Or has he? At the risk of being a death's head at what is a very considerable is a useful stepping stone on feast, I must say I am not so sure as the great majority of the Parliamentary Labour Party with his efforts to improve his

Of course Michael Foot is better off than he was on Wednesday morning, nor least because he has actually done something instead of appearing to sit around allowing Mr Benn to wrest power from his nerveless grasp, and so forth. He has and the underlying shift can continue. reasserted ris leadership, presented his allies with some splendid gibes (that one about Mr Benn's wishing to turn the House of Commons into another Castrated House of Lords is particularly felisitous) and, for the moment at least, he has recaptured the initiarive.

However, to assume that this is anything like a knockout blow is to misunderstand the struggle for power in the Labour Party and the extent of Mr Benn's success in it.

The Been strategy, clearly, is in three parts. The first is to tilt the balance within the party sharply away from the House of Commons towards the extra-parliamentary centres of power -particularly the conference and the constituency parties where his support is greatest. The second is to enhance his strength in these centres and especially to pick up more support among the rank and file of

the trade unions. The third stage is gradually to tighten his hold on the parliamentary party through the new reselection procedure for Labour MPs and by the im-position of a left-wing manifesto on the party.

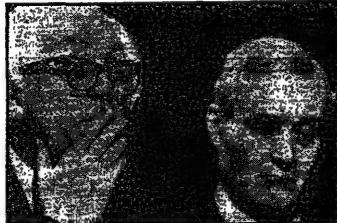
At some point on this route the leadership ought to fall into his lap. The deputy leadership standing in the union move-ment, and if he should win he continue.

Any plan for destroying this with a strenuous attempt to Mr Bean being made deputy leader in October. This means that he must immediately be discredited among the trade union rank and file, for if he captures firm support in that sector of the party as well as in the constituency parties there will be no stopping him.

But the counter-attack has to go far deeper than that. For so long as the balance of the party constitution remains so heavily weighted against the parliamen tary party, the underlying situation must remain favourable to the left.

In other words, Mr Benn has already achieved the first phase of his strategy and is now embarked on the second. He can be permanently checkmated only if his constitutional successes are reversed—that is, if the Conference rescinds the new procedures for electing the party leaders, and selecting par-liamentary candidates.

Does Mr Foot's coup de theatre on Wednesday set this counter-revolution in motion? It certainly helps that the leader



Wir Foot and Mr Bean : gibes but no knockout.

will fight against the Bennite proposal that the parliamentary party and leadership should be deprived of effective influence over the revising of the manifesto. But he has given no indication of determination to push back into the terrain that has already been lost. A blistering scorn for Mr Benn's treatment of parliamentary democracy, however well justified, will not necessarily have any effect on the party outside Parliament—particularly on the unions, which Mr Benn is wooing so

assiduously. Let us look at the matter, for a moment, through the eyes of the average shop steward of the Transport Workers (a key fig-ure on the scene at present, since the TGWU vote will probably decide the deputy leader-ship). The attraction of Mr. Benn's pitch to such a man who may not be more than mildly left-wing and probably cares little about Northern

has given clear notice that he Ireland or the Trident-is that in one important respect Mr Benn is telling the truth and The fact of the matter is that the existing Shadow Cabinet

really cannot be "trusted" to economic policies that the Labour Conference, or even the DUC, are enjoining. Nor can it be "trusted" to take Britain precipitately out of the Com-mon Market. Whatever one may think about Mr Foot's per-sonal position in the political spectrum to date, the Shadow Cabinet has been for years, and remains, predominantly a centre-right body. The deputy leader himself is a right-ofcentre figure whom our TGWU friend will remember mainly as the architect of monetarist economics and an incomes

When Mr Benn comes along and says that this unreliable bunch of middle-class recidivists needs to be kept on the

socialist straight and narrow, off the committee by the the prescription is unlikely to parliamentary party. be rejected in the present in short, one cannot avoid mood; and when he says that the feeling that Mr Foot's in the feeling that Mr Foot's it is Denis Healer who needs to statement addresses the wrong be defeated, and not Michael sudience in the wrong way.

Foot, he is merely stating what The parliamentary party, which
to any left-of-centre trade appreciates the reality of the
unionist is absolutely obvious. Shadow Cabinet point, does

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If this is a common perception, it does not leave Mr Foot much ground for his famous challenge. The rank and file member outside Parliament cannot be expected to take the question of the internal distance.

Shadow Cabinet point, does not, on the whole, need to be harangued on the subject of Mr Benn. The constituency activists are out for power and are not going to be deflected whatever. Mr Foot says.

The swine materials. member outside Parliament and going to be deflected whatever. Mr Foot says.

The swing "voters", espect-cipline of the Shadow Cabinet terribly seriously. He could not perhaps be expected to know testations that Mr Foot is as A. J. Balfour's description of the "irreconcilable difficulties" the Conservative Shadow Cabinet in 1911: "Had it been a real cabinet , . either the dissentient minority would have resigned or they would have silently acquiesced in the decision of the majority. There could of course be no question in the case of the shadow cabinet of resignation. There has

certainly been acquiescence ". However, it requires only a moderately good memory to recall that the entire right wing of the Shadow Cabiner voted with impunity against the Labour whip in the great Common Market debate in October 1971. And in the present case the extra parliament-ary conclusion is likely to be that the uniqueness of Mr

low Sir Harold Wilson's advice

been no

good a socialist as Mr Benn. This is an auction which Mr Foot will always lose because Mr Benn, having no responsibility, can always outbid alm.
The only way for Mr Foot to
expose Mr. Benn as a fraud is to tackle his policies and pre-scriptions head on: to say clearly and repeatedly why pro-tection and reflation would entail an incomes policy, why withdrawal from the EEC would be so difficult, why putting the UN into Northern Iceland is moonshine, why the United States is our most essential ally and, above all, why our parliamentary system, which imposes several layers of restraint and argument between party demagogues and the formation of policy, is the best way of running a plural-istic society.

Mr. Foot cannot do it, even

that the uniqueness of Mr
Benn's offence is that he was
in a minority of one, that he
probably ought to have resigned, as Nye Bevan did on a
similar occasion in 1954, but
that if his behaviour was so
dreadful, Mr Foot cannot do it, even
if he wanted to, because he
would split the party into
shreds if he did. That is the
measure of how far Labour has
slipped into Mr Benn's grasp.

The author is Director of Chatham House but writes here and get him specially booted in a personal canacity.

tical assistance may be in the "That we would like to help them is clear", Ward says. "It them is clear", Ward says. "It is now up to them to tell us what they want. It could be in the way of a loan, a building or a grant." The GLC had a budget of £5m for job creation but planned to in-crease that figure greatly. Ms Merck is emphatic that discussions with the GLC and other nameless big-business backers

I don't expect there are many 10-year-olds reading this, not without moving their lips anyway. But I have news of interest to the I can't make up my

cionificance he does not deserve. I suggest that what is needed, among the Saudi's especially, is a Jewish sense of humour.

And not just Brooklyn Jewish either. The good citizens of Basle are still enjoying a gentle chuckle over an advertisement in Juedische

Rundschau, an approximate Swiss equivalent of our Jewish Chronicle.
The latest issue carries a fullpage Swissair advertisement with
a photograph of three tele-communications towers which show a

marked resemblance to minarets.
"Kuwait, one of four destinations in the Gulf", reads the ad, "one of twelve in the Middle East." Good for the magazine that it didnt blow its top but published the ad, maintaining a fine balance between the traditional Jewish business sense and Swiss neutra-

California calling

taste that afflicts this column along with my preference for Puccini over Wagner, Maseratis over bicycles, and blackpudding over bacon and eggs in the morning.)

ment the other night when I found that L'Escargot, the revamped restaurant in Greek Street, Soho, has become the only place I know which sells American wines and nothing else (save for sherry, port, etc). Moreover, the pleasure was doubled when I found Robert Mondayi, the Californian wine milionaire, seated at the next

Mondayi arrived by Concorde this week to promote his wines. His big news, for wine buffs anyway, is that later this month be will auction off the first cask of a wine that has been produced of a wine that has been produced jointly by himself and Baron Philippe de Rothschild. It consists of Mondaui grapes (83 per cent Cabernet Sauvigoon, 17 per cent Cabernet Franc) and de Rothschild knowhow, but there are plans for a collaborative wineyard in the Napa Valley.

The cask is being sold for charity, Michael Broadbent, MW of Christie's, is flying out to officiate at the aunion), and when it comes on the market commercially in 1983 Mondayi expects it to be the most expensive wine

cially in 1983 Mondavi expects it to be the most expensive wine California has yet produced.

His adventure with de Ruthschild, he says, hegan in the baron's hedroom. Apparently it is the practice occasionally to spend the entire morning in bed, doing business. Not inappropriate, in a way I see from The Great British Breakfast, which is published by Michael Joseph later this month. Michael Joseph laser this month, that claret (which is what Cabernet Sauvignon is) used to be a natural choice in the sixteenth century for a breakfast beverage. I shall risk it with my black pud.

More teasers

Four more news teasers. This week, however, the questions are a little easier. The answers appear on the court page today.

1. What do the Aga Khan and Michael Vicary bave in common? 2. Who won't be seen on Israeli 3. Who looked as though "she had just stepped out of a shower"?
4. It has been a bad week for

Peter Watson

Members of the Wedding (5)

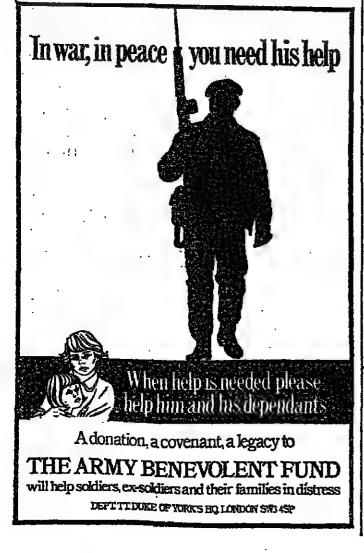
Beside Lord Fatman, Baubles Hamstrung sat-And really, for that table, that was that-The Soameses were all there, Enoch to Emma; The Joneses were there too-Jack, Freddie, Tom. James, James-Earl, Ann, David, David

hope I haven't put the same Jones twice.



From Charles Charming's Challenges on the Pathway 10 the Throne, by Clive James with illustrations by Marc. to be published on Monday by Cape at £4.95.

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What's on: GLG cash for

a new Time Out?

The dismissed staff of Time Out, London's weekly guide to what is on, which has been closed for a month because of a dispute, have been discussing financial and other forms of backing with the GLC for an alternative but similar publication.

Mandy Merck, union negotiator for the staff, says they have had "lots of messages of support" from Ken Livingstone, the new

from Ken Livingstone, the new leader of the council; but Michael Ward, chairman of the GLC's industry and employment commit-tee, also confirms that more prac-

does not mean the Time Out staff have lost their commitment to their dispute. "We are delighted that people have made us offers", she said. "We see it as a wonderful safety net. But we are confident we are going to win."

Chance of fame

David Niven Senior and David Niven Junior are joining forces to make a film colled Menage à

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mind who are the more sensitive, the Saudis or the BBC. In postponing that Harold Robbins film the Beeb are giving a potboiling writer

trois (the au pair will explain).
Niven Senior stars, with Art Carney, as two—well, older men—who are left with a 10-year-old millionairess, the daughter of a lover of both men. The poly problem is: she never knew which was the tather of her child.

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Under the woman's will, the men must spend the summer with the girl; then she must choose between shem, the winner receiving

tween shem, the wanter receiving the rest of the fortune.

I can't reveal the ending (nor out of modesty, but because Niven Junior, who is producing, wouldn't tell me); but the exching part for budding Tatum O'Neals is that director Bryan Forbes has yet no cast the 10-yearold. Besides the money, the whole thing will be filmed during the summer between Monte Carlo and St Tropez. I may say that this is the last time this column will pass on such information free of charge. From now on, I intend to claim 10 per cent.

Valley, north of San Francisco, I have been a fan of Californian wines. In fact, since they got their casking right, their better bottles have seemed just as good to me as French wines. (This will no doubt be seen by some readers as yet. be seen by some readers as yet another example of the appalling

So you may imagine my excite-

pirates. Why?

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Business contacts

The fifth Business to Business Exhibition opens on Sunday at Earls Court, London, and runs until Wednesday

Derek Harris, Commercial Editor, discusses some of the nearly 100 forms of financial aid available

Small firms overlook chances of help

Central government services and other national ones of potential benefit to business-men, together with those offered at local and regional level, are myriad. There are nearly 100 different forms of purely financial aid to industry available through government money which a to lay claim to in the various for other forms of industrial aids and the new towns, to period, guarantees on bank financing and cover for investment made in an overseas company. Many trade associations can also offer advice on exporting; so do some local chambers of commerce.

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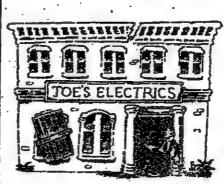
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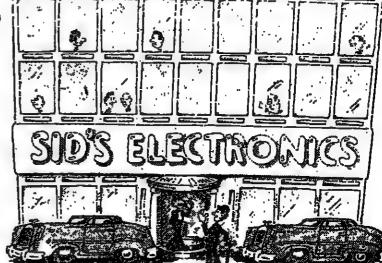
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But in sectors less commit-ted to the big central exhibitions it is not so easy

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Scarborough as well as the longer-established ones such as Blackpool, also can accommodate small exhibitions and conferences. The tourist boards of England, Scotland and Wales offer guidance on facilities available.

Derek Harris

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economic terms was ac-knowledged by Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in his Budget speech last year, when he

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Expenditure on rented assets has increased more than fivefold since 1976. The Equipment Leasing Association, whose members figures are regarded as a reliable barometer to overall trends, reports a rise from 6421m in 1976 to £2,359m in 1980. In volume terms, after This abolition, together with confirmation by the Inland confirmation by the Inland Revenue that leasing companies have cally provided for in the found themselves owners of lease, the rate and frequency a surprisingly wide variety of payment should not need that leasing companies were entitled to a 100 per cent first year tax stance. are the technical 4. There is a non-cancellable allowance on leased cars, owners of dustcarts leased section of the lease period. The caused a sharp increase in leasing By September that year British Leyland by London boroughs, In 1975 5. The burden of obsolesing By September that Cheam District Council in lescence of the equipment stalled 2,000 new lamp-posts falls primarily on the lessee which it acquired through a new post of the lease prokers are another whilished by McGran. motor manufacturers to set innancial lease.

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But the adage raises, nevertheless, one of the most controversial issues facing commerce, industry, govern-ment and universities today: how can scientific research and technology be harnessed in the cause of innovation? That perennial question was asked recently by the Prime Minister at a meeting — on science, business and tech-

She dwelt on the theme of are, but how poor in terms of developing and marketing their own inventions. Mrs Thatcher asked for more

Few would quarrel with that philosophy. But what has to be done to stimulate change? Mrs Thatcher wondered whether good and effective use was being made of the engineering and scientific talent in our universities and polytech-

She said: "There is every-thing to be said for the science, business and tech involvement of university and polytechnic staff in Parliamentary and Scientific business and comments. business and commerce. To of high technology products help this along, the Governor services and being joined ment intends to establish a by branches of science-based. new award, with cash at-tached in some cases, designed to give recognition to successful parmerships between universities or polytechnics and industrial firms. It is to encourage these which is to encourage these which is such as polyments.

science park, which ideally consists of innovative companies on an industrial estate close enough to a university for collaboration and sharing, takes various forms.
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a venture by Trinity College, is developing on a carefully which companies in the developing on a carefully United States are now explanned site and fits the ploiting.

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TIME FOR A STERLING POLICY

The exchange rate of the pound of the calamitous fall in indus- and unproven as is a high sterling is on a roller-coaster again. It is not a sensible place for it to be. This is not quite the vertiginous seventies when the ground opened beneath one's feet whenever there was a wild remark at a labour or trade union conference, but yester-day's fall of more than 7 cents against the American dollar is the biggest fall for two and a half years. It comes against a background of increasing volatility in the foreign exchange markets and there is a strong likelihood of further pressure on sterling over the weeks and months ahead, especially if the price of North Sea oil has to be

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The Government's attitude to the exchange rate has bordered on the mystical; nothing can be done about the wondrous workings of the market place. It has several times denied the existence of the possibilities of intervention to reduce the inflated value of the pound sterling. That has been unfortunate but it will be as well for the moment if the laissez-faire attitude persists just a little longer. It is demoralizing to politicians, and to others, when the exchange rate declines, but sterling is over-valued by more than 30 per cent. Its inflation has been pricing British goods out of world markets and British workers out of jobs, and that dismal process would only be accelerated if interest rates were raised now in defence of the pound. The Chancellor could kiss goodbye his hopes of an export-led revival and a reversal

trial investment. In the immediate future, therefore, the bestresponse to the downward pressure on sterling is to do nothing.

There is, of course, an inflation cost in abstention, But

there is no escaping that at some point. We have to pay for the domestic inflation which occurred in the early months of the Government's term in office the Government's term in office when wages rose rapidly at a time output was falling. The rise of sterling concealed the inflationary forces which this created but it did not get rid of them. Time is out of joint. What is now required is a policy for the exchange rate which will relate it more closely, and in more orderly fashion, to our economic performance. There economic performance. There was never any justification for a 50 per cent appreciation of the pound against the dollar. Floating rates have been a nightmare for exporters. Over the past five years they have seen the pound at \$1.50 and at \$2.40 and they are now seeing it fall towards \$1.90. Even the Weinstocks of the world cannot be expected to cope with fluctuations like that.

Both the Chancellor and the Prime Minister have shown some signs of realizing that the roller coaster is bad for trade; they must now perceive it is corrosive of confidence and singularly ill-timed in its downward swoop. It is no use expecting the Americans to ameliorate matters by lowering their interest rates, damaging though an interest-rate war is

interest rate in the fight against inflation. The Europeans have lectured the Americans for too long about putting their house in order to be given much shrift in their complaints now. One can only hope the high Ameri-can rates will not last for long, and in the meantime we must develop a sensible policy for currency. The first necessity to recognise is that the floating rate can be moderated in its erratic behaviour by interest rate policy, the sale of sterling bonds and other measures. The second necessity is to establish the criteria to be used in deciding on a sensible rate. The third is some public manifestation of what the Government is trying to achieve: at present no one knows if the Government would like to see the nound's would like to see the pound's effective exchange rate higher or lower than its present level.

In the short term the best way to tell them would be to measure sterling's worth against the currencies of our European partners; the Government could announce that it was trying to keep the pound's value stable against, say, the average of EEC currencies. But for the day after tomorrow we should be deliberating on how we can join the European currency snake. It is an imperfect mechanism, but it is a cooperative one and it provides the glimmerings of a more stable system for international exchanges. There is nothing to recommend the roller-coaster which has done so much harm to our economy and that of our European partners.

KEEP YOUR CONCESSIONS DRY

The statement on the Maze prison by a commission of the Irish Catholic Bishop's Confer-ence, reported in *The Times* yesterday, is a careful and evenhanded presentation of the "show a little flexibility" approach. This is the line taken, not always with the same carefulness and even-handedness, by Mr Charles Haughey and other party leaders in the Republic, Mr John Hume in the North, and many more distant observers. It is the rod with which usually well disposed critics have recently taken to beating the British back.

The proposition is that the Government should relax the regime for all prisoners in Northern Ireland in three respects. They should be permitted to wear their own clothes at all times (no great difficulty about that provided anything form is excluded). There should "some move to increase opportunities for association". while not tolerating military training or any activity which would be illegal in society at large (there is already free association much of the time for conforming prisoners; doubtless a way of increasing it could be found that stopped well short of allowing the prisoners to regulate their own lives within the perimeter). There should be a review of prison work to make it more educational and remove "work of a demeaning nature"

(an educational emphasis is already present and, provided prisoners perform the simple duty of cleaning and seeing to their own cells, more could be attempted in that direction).

The British Government has been, and remains disposed to be, tlexible about the details of prison regulations in Northern ireland. On two matters it is rightly adamant. It will not have differentiation between re-publican criminals, and other criminals, and it will not concede to republican prisoners the substance of prisoner-of-war status. The proposals of the bishops' commission do not histops' commission of the cepts. A resolution of the conflict inside the Maze, if there is to be a resolution, will probably lie in the area suggested, so why not move there

Although the immediate announcement of some such concessions would win good opinions from bystanders and temporarily help the Govern-ment to make its case abroad, Ministers have to pay more attention to the effect of their decisions on those who are joined in the action, the com-munities of Northern Ireland. Unilateral concessions to the bunger strikers now would exalt the prestige and morale of the Provisional IRA, and confirm them and their many softer

sympathizers in the belief that they have the means of breaking British authority in Ulster. Unionists would be daunted by an apparent display of weak-ness, and their paramilitary preparations would be inten-

It would be different if there were any prospect that those concessions now would pacify the republican prisoners and still the agitation that has built up around their cause. There is no firm reason to think that that would happen. The IRA is not immolating selected of its members and reddening the coals of civil war in Ireland in order simply to win marginal improvements in the conditions of captivity. It is engaged in a deadly struggle for power against a constitutional authcrity in Northern Ireland that is per cent of the province's electors. The challenge from within the prison and the accompanying agitprop outside are a tactical strike in that strategic context. They will not relent until in the face of firmness and subtlety, they find this particular line of action bringing diminishing returns at rising cost. That is beginning to happen. The Government would be well advised to keep its concessions of detail dry until the process has gone further and the Provisionals are looking for a pretext for withdrawal.

SHIVERING ON THE BRINK OF WARRINGTON

Shirley Williams has decided not to stand as the Social Democratic candidate in the Warrington by-election. The reason she has given is that the timing of the by-election is uncertain and she can more usefully serve the party over the next few months by carrying out her heavy programme of meetings throughout the country. The assumption on which she has based that judgment will prove to have been mistaken if, as is reported, the Labour Party decides to have an early poll before the holiday season begins

Her judgment is also open to question for a more substantial reason. Warrington may not be the ideal constituency for the Social Democrats to fight their first by-election in, but they have quite rightly decided to contest it and their chances are far from hopeless. Indeed, the opinion poll by Audience Selection, which was published in the Sun yesterday, suggests that they could win the seat if they have a leading personality as their candidate. Mrs Williams is given a 19 per cent lead over.

Labour, and Mr Roy Jenkins would be only 4 per cent behind. Any other Social Democratic candidate would, according to this poll, start with more ground. to make up.

This is a very powerful argument in favour of the Social Democrats fielding one of their principal personalities. Many people will indge whether the party is a serious political force by its performance at Warrington. That will matter more for its future credibility than any straw poll. A dramatic triumph there would do more for the party than any number of political meetings that Mrs Williams could address over the next two years, never mind the. next two months.

In deciding not to stand Mrs Williams has deprived the Social Democrats of their best chance of securing such a triumph. She has also given the impression of not wanting to take a chance. For a party that is seeking to break up the existing pattern of British politics that is an exceedingly dangerous impression to give. It is particularly unfortunate for the Social Democrats who are always liable to be suspected of being politicians for the drawing room rather than the hustings. There would be no better way to combat that suspicion than for a leading Social Democrat to take the risk of standing in what has hitherto been a safe Labour seat and therefore been regarded as unpromising territory for the

new party.

If Mrs Williams is not prepared to take that gamble, then Mr Jenkins should. He would apparently start with a good chance even if not so good as Mrs Williams. With him as candidate there would be little risk of the Liberals queering the pitch for the Social Democrats. by putting forward their own candidate. For him to stand would also do much to dispel the widespread impression of him as a politician with a fastidious distaste for the dust of the arena. So in both personal and party terms this is a chance that Mr Jenkins ought to take. If the Social Democrats are afraid to dare they cannot hope to

Church's weakness

From the Reverend Harry Ogden Sir, In yesterday's Times (May 29) Canon Wilkinson, of Solinul, made the strange and illogical assertion that clergy who look after their chreshes strange look after their churches thereby neglect to talk about God to their people. Granted that my 20 years' parochiai experience has not been in attractive suburban or country parishes, but my experience is the opposite of his in this matter. My experience from observation of other parishes as well as my own is that the care and enhancement of "Victorian Gothic edifices" goes hand in hand with a renewal of the spiritual life and the evangelistic outreach in inner-city parishes, decayed or otherwise.

Take one example in Salford: There is a church, a "Victorian Gothic edifice" if ever there was one, in what was Love on the Dole land. Throughout my childhood it looked derelict and unwanted among the decaying back streets. Then the area was redeveloped as an estate of high-rise flats, with the church still looking derelict and unwanted.

Diocesan "experts" wanted to demolish it and erect another concrete cube, but the new rector and the then small congregation and the then small congregation insisted on keeping their "Victorian Gothic edifice" and they set about-restoring, reordering and beautifying it under the sensitive guidance of Mr Stephen Dykes Bower. They were "looking after buildings" and spent a lot of money doing so money raised by very hard work by the rector and his people. While they were doing this, however, they neither neglected looking after people nor talking to them about God — in fact the restoration of the old and familiar church, a building which ordinary unsophisticated people could immediately recognize and relate to as the local house of God and gate of Heaven, was perhaps the main instrument in-turning a small aged congregation into the largest and most vigorous and most evangelistically effective congregation in the whole of Salford.

If we are to think in "neo-Francis-can terms" about simplifying and enlarging the Church's message of hope and joy and high purpose in

what Canon Wilkinson calls "This embattled post-industrial age" then he and others who think like him will have to reassess their desire to destroy churches, "Victorian Gothic edifices" or otherwise. For St. Francis of Assisi humbly began his very effective spiritual renewal and evangelistic outreach which revitalized the medieval Church by restoring an old tumbledown church.

church.
What better example could we follow, in inner-city areas and elsewhere? For the restoration, reordering and beautifying of old recognizable church buildings is an outward and visible sign which ordinary unsophisticated people immediately recognize that neither God nor his Church are dead, and that he is quite capable of making new that which had grown old, and of lifting up that which had fallen down. fallen dawa. Yours faithfully, HARRY OGDEN. Christ Church Rectory, Monton Street, Moss Side,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Colleges under closure threat

From Dr S. Ranawake and Professor W. E. Yuill

Sir, On reading your article, "Threat of closure faces five colleges" (June 2), we have difficulty in understanding how the Swinnerton-Dyer committee apparently found it so easy to dismiss the need to review the cost of central administration of the University of

The cost of this administration, which duplicates much of the work of college administrators, is quoted as being of the order of £3m. it seems perverse that colleges with a long tradition of education and research by staffs of highly qualified and eminent scholars should be closed, while what one often suspects to be a top-heavy administrative machine is left intact. Yours faithfully, SILVIA RANAWAKE, (Department of German) W. E. YUILL,

London), Regent's Park, NW1, From Professor R. Goldsmith

(Department of German) Bedford College (University of

Sir, It is a cornerstone of English justice that even the perpetrators of the most beinous crimes are protected from prejudicial publicity before conviction. The same cour-

before conviction. The same courtesy has not been extended to us as an academic institution by our peers in the "discussion document" produced by Sir Peter Swinnerton-Dyer's committee on academic organization in London University (Report, June 2).

Upon what evidence, except their "own feelings" and "general reputation", in other words bias and the prejudices of others, have the committee concluded that the majority of the departments at this college may not be "up to university standard"? It is reasonable for us to ask: what is this "standard"? Is it a mean or an average? Then by

ask: what is this "standard"? Is it a mean or an average? Then by definition a large proportion of departments in any university will be below standard.

We must give this distinguished group of our peers the benefit of greater insight. They are faced with the necessity for a 15-20 per cent. financial cut; they may therefore be looking for the bottom fifth of the distribution, not an easy task. They distribution, not an easy task. They themselves argue against all objective criteria to help them in making this judgment and are "inhibited" from making peer reviews. They would rather impugn our reputation, casting a blight upon the

What parent will now advise an What parent will now advise an intending student to come to Chelsea? Will school teachers not advise their best pupils to eschew a college which is "not up to university standard"? Sooner rather than later the truth will come to resemble their ill-conceived verdict.

We are no angels; we have our share of strengths and weaknesses. Let Sir Peier and his committee social Let Sir Peter and his committee visit us in an open peer review. Then, if we are found wanting, let them "phase us out" but if we are of university standard let them disseminate their praise as widely as they have their ill-founded disparagements. Yours faithfully, RAINER GOLDSMITH Chelsea College, University of London, Mauresa Road, SW3.

Czech dissent movement From Mr. Jan Kapan

June 3.

Sir, The Czechoslovak human rights Sir, The Czechoslovak human rights movement is in great need of money. As there is no unemployment benefit, financial support is needed by many people deprived of their means of livelihood for political reasons. Funds are also needed by families of political prisoners who receive no state help.

Moreover, the detainees awaiting Moreover, the detainees awaiting Moreover, the detainees awaiting trial have to pay not only for thier defence but also for their keep in prison. However, awareness of this should not mean an assumption that money taken to Czechoslovakia is in support of an expression of solidarny.

Palach Press Agency was quoted in The Times of May 27 as saying that "the large sums of western currency" found on the two young Prench citizens who were detained in Czechoslovakia for three weeks in May "were intended for the Committee to Defend the Unjustly Prosecuted (VONS)."

Prosecuted (VONS)."

This is incorrect. Following their expulsion from Czechoslovakia on May 20, the French couple explained that the confiscared sum of 4,000 DM (£820) was their personal money saved for their holiday and they are now taking legal steps to recover it from the Czechoslovak customs. The police grossly misinterpreted the role of the money by asserting that it was to finance "subversive activities" of the human rights activities detained in Prague, three weeks ago. three weeks ago. This unsubstantiated claim is used

as a pretext to charge those who refuse to conform with "subversion of the republic" under article 98, which carries a sentence from three to 10 years. The erroneous quo-tation has arisen out of a mistinder-standing between the author of the article on the forthcoming Prague trial and a part-time Palach Press employee.

Yours faithfully, AN KAVAN, Director, Palach Press Ltd., 19 Earlham House, 35 Mercer Street, WC2.

War in Lebanon

From Mrs Jane Geallad Sir, Robert Fisk's report on the Israeli attack on Damour (May 29) wastes unnecessary sympathy on the Palestinian terrorists holding the town. Damour was a quiet Christian town until the civil war in Lebanon, when the Palestinians attacked the population, killing many and forcing the rest to flee for

Mr Fisk should think of these people, now living as refugees in other parts of Lebanon, who can never return to their home town. Yours faithfully, JANE GEALLAD, 212 Boulevard Bineau, 92200 Neuilly-sur-Seine, France. May 30.

Centre parties in an adult relationship Gunshots at the

From Mr Tom Ellis, MP for Wrezham (Social Democrat) Sir, You report today (June 3) that the leaders of the Social Democratic Party and of the Liberal Party have Party and of the Liberal Party have reached an agreement whereby the latter party will stand down in favour of the SDP at the Warrington by election but that it is to have first refusal" ar any (sic) forthcoming by election. It seems as it Buggins's turn is being introduced into a novel setting.

I do not yet know whether the report is correct, but if it is so it adds to my other anxieties which have been steadily accumulating since the launch of the SDP.

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A presumption of the British twoparty political system which unfortunately is being carried over
into the SDP is that one either loves
or one hates. There seems to be an
aversion to having an adult relationship pitched somewhere between the
two extremes. In fact it was partly
in revolt against this black-andwhite party view of politics — "my
party right or wrong" — that I left
the Labour Party and helped found
the SDP. Sadly, however, it is this
same old obsessive preoccupation
with shallow party advantage,
together with a certain youthful
brashness, which seems to result in
occasional ineptitudes in the political direction of the new party.

As a case in point, the prickly
approach to negotiations with the
Liberal Party, which manifestly is
forcing the Liberal leadership into
defensive responses against its will,
hardly reflect the self-assurance

defensive responses against its will, hardly reflects the self-assurance one would have anticipated of the SDP and its leaders, given the facts of British political life. A statement about the Warrington by-election by a local Liberal in the North-west of England, for example, did not merit the resulting abrasive reply from the SDP nationally which in turn forced

From Mr Alfred L. Latham-Koenig sir, Konaid Butt's article (Ray 14) rightly stresses the importance of a European voice in the present critical world situation and welcomes the great progress in political cooperation within the Community which was achieved in the last few years. But this cooperation needs a measure of agreement on a higher European interest which transcends musly pational interests and makes

In this respect the regrettably harsh, almost jingoistic, tone adopted by Britain in demanding a reduction of her contribution to the EEC budget — however sound her cased may have been — has created both a bad impression and an unfortunate precedent which could well be followed by other member states and weaken further the cohesion of the Community at a particularly inopportune time.

concessionary funds of the Intermonal Development As have angered the group of 77 and compromised the success of the North-South summit in Mexico next autumn.

makes a positive contribution to the

Nature of schizophrenia From the President of the Royal College of Psychiatrists and others College of Psychiatrists and others

Sir, Quite apart from the question of
differential diagnosis, about which
we make no comment here, the trial
of Mr Peter Sutcliffe may have left
on the public mind the impression
that people with schizophrenia are
always a potential menace to others.
This is not true. Schizophrenia is a fairly common condition which can sometimes be disabling or even crippling in its effects upon the sufferer, but it is very rarely associated with repeated acts of

In the United Kingdom, at any given time, some 180,000 people are affected by it and about 1 per cent of the population develop it at some time in their adult lives. Most of them spend far more time living in the community than in hospital. All but a tiny fraction have no greater liability to violence than other citizens, nor do they commit other

restrictiveness and less community support. Organizations such as the National Schizophrenia Fellowship and MIND do much to promote public understanding, sympathy and help for many thousands of suf-ferers. Their efforts should not be set back because of the natural reaction of horror at this appalling series of acts. Yours faithfully, DESMOND POND, KEN RAWNSLEY, W. H. TRETHOWAN, HENRY WALTON,

We would not wish to minimize the suffering caused by schizo-phrenia to the person affected and to the family, nor to deny that

From Mr Evan Luard

widespread concern that exists about the policy of our Government towards the Third World.

proposals to be discussed which it might be hoped that our Govern-ment (even taking account of its known political and economic viewpoint) will be willing to support. For example, as a major food importer Britain has a strong national interest in measures to expand food production all over the world, above all in developing countries (where the costs of conduction are often changes) in production are often cheapest) to avoid major shortages and rapidly rising prices: one would hope therefore that the Government will

the Buggins's turn principle on the Liberal leadership.

Nor does a determination to reject the practices of the Labour Party—admirable if this had meant the rejection of the old party prejudices—become anything other than silly if, in fact, it results in no more than admiristrative decisions, should not that administrative decisions about not having an annual conference be-cause Labour has one, or not besing local parties on the constituencies because Labour does so, or dispar-aging local party members who were formerly active workers in the old

parties.
I sincerely hope that heoceforth in the SDP we shall display greater self-assurance so as to avoid any suspicion of our being party bigots. It is this as much as anything which will appeal to the British electorate. Yours sincerely,

TOM ELLIS, House of Commons, June 3.

From Mr Sam Silkin, QC, MP for Southwark and Dubnich (Labour) Sir, Am I alone in seeing a parallel between the conduct of Mrs Shirley Williams in declining to comest the Warrington by-election and that of Mr Tony Benn in declining to stand for the leadership of the Liabour

Party?

In each case the logic of the positions taken up by them would seen to lead to acceptance of the challenge. In each case to do so would seem to be the courageous and honourable course. In each case it appears that discretion has proved the better part of valour.

Are there conclusions to be drawn as to the suitability of either to lead the nation?

Mexico summit, thereby ensuring at

least a modicum of success. A failure, followed by mutual recriminations, would be dangerous in the present world economic climate.

A. L. KOENIG, 11 Bigwood Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb,

M Cheysson's record

From the South African Ambassador

sir, If, as your account in The Times of May 23 would have us believe, Claude Cheysson was once "in charge of the development of the Sahara", the present state of that part of the world would hardly be the best augury for his success as France's new Foreign Minister. In fact, however, that unfortunate over-abbreviation does no justice to the very effective hard work he was actually doing as Secretary-General of the Committee for Technical Cooperation in Africa South of the Sahara (CCTA) for those years. Meetings at working-party level used to take place every week or two in London under his chairmanship in the late fifties, and as South Africa's representative at that time,

the nation? Yours faithfully, SAM C. SILKIN. House of Commons.

Yours faithfully,

Hampstead, NW11. May 28.

Europe's voice

Sir, Ronald Butt's article (May 14) purely national interests and makes compromises possible. In this respect the regrettably

particularly inopportune time.

There is one field in particular, the North-South dialogue, where a common initiative by Europe is urgently needed. The negative attitude of the Reagan Administration towards practically all the recommendations of the Brandt report, its delay in replenishing the concessionary funds of the Inter-

France, under her previous government, had taken a lead in trying to soften the United States Administration's artifude and with Claude Cheysson, the new foreign minister, this policy is likely to be

pursued even more vigorously.
It is to be hoped that Britain, which takes over the presidency of the Council of Ministers in July, will ensure that the EEC, as a unit,

May 28. tragedy sometimes occurs. But there have been major advances during the past 25 years in our understanding of the disease, in our knowledge of treatment and in our ability to help those who become chronically disabled.

It would be an even greater tragedy if the care given by the mental health services was under mined by hardening further attitudes that might lead to greater restrictiveness and less community!

Yours truly,

South African Embassy, 69 Vassilissis Sofias, Athens 140.

J. K. WING, Medical Research Council Social Psychiatry Unit, Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, SE5. May 29.

Third World aid

Sir, The large number of people attending the recent lobby of Parliament is an indication of the Over the next four months three

important summit meetings are to take place at which these matters are to be discussed: the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' meeting in Australia: the meeting of industria-lized nations in Canada; and the lized nations in Canada; and the North-South summit in Mexico. Though none will be able to reach final decisions (if only because all will be restricted in membership) what they will do — especially the Mexico summit — is to lay down guidelines for the detailed negotiations which will take place subsequently in the appropriate forums. forums_

There are a number of particular support major programmes designed to help goor countries in that area.

Secondly, as a government committed to an open trading system (as it announced in its memorandum on the Brandt report last July) it should be willing to: support as public commitment to avoid new measures of protectionism against imports from poor countries (and to put this into practice in the forthcoming negotiations on the renewal of the

Multi-Fibre Arrangement):
Thirdly, as a major banking nation which would have much to lose if any poor countries, because of their severe balance of payments difficulties, were forced to repudiate their debts, already enormous, we have an interest in ensuring that the International Monetary Fund fur-ther liberalizes its policies in grantmer interances its pointies in grant-ing credits to poor countries and that it should give a larger propor-tion of quotas and special drawing-rights to them in future alloca-

Fourthly, as a country with long-standing associations with the very poorest countries of all, the "least developed" (about half of which are members of the Commonwealth), we should give the strongest support, both at the summit and at the conference specifically devoted to their problems in Paris in August, to proposals for special measures to help them by the provision of increased aid and better trading opportunities. Yours faithfully, EVAN LUARD,

Oxfam, 274 Banbury Road,

June 1

funerals

From Mr P. St. John Langan From Mr P. St. John Langan

Sir. Professor O'Leary (June 2): has missed the vital distinction. So far as I know, it is not being suggested that there should be a simple denial of Christian burial rises to any baptised person. What is in issue, and what causes very great offence to many people (Roman Catholic, Anglican and Protestant alike), is the provision of a funeral service and hurial for someone who has lived by the gun and the bomb lived by the gun and the bomb where he is to be publicly "honoured" with flags, martial music, wolleys and the like.

By necessary implication, all this is done in tribute to the manner in which the person concerned has lived and died. The explanation which is put forward, that these trappings stop at the church door, is unconvincing: after all, the officialing priest accompanies the coffin to

the grave.
On a practical level, a simple choice could be offered to the relatives; you can have a Christian funeral or a paramilitary funeral, but not both.

On a spiritual level, it is only the offering of such a choice which can in these difficult circumstances be in these difficult circumstances be consistent with the Gospel of peace. Reconciliation and comfort for the bereaved should be available, but not at the price of involving those who are ordained for the proclamation of that Gospel in a ceremony which, whatever their own views, becomes a celebration of violence.

Yours faithfully, P. ST. J. LANGAN, 2, New Square, Lincoln's Inn., WC2. June 2.

Defence strategy

From Miss A. M. Hjörne Sir, I welcome David Watt's conclusion (May 29) that Noto urgently needs a functional review. It is a pity that he did not go on to argue that for reasons of history, geography, trade and our national interest, we should "specialize" in the maritime defence of the eastern Atlantic and the Chainel. This is the role in which Britain, amonest role in which Britain, amongst European nations, is uniquely qualified to lead and shready plays a major part. In contrast, our continental commitment to defending a few dozen kilometres of the

nig a lew luczen knomeres or the German border is not impressive.

David Watt spoils his argument by some rather supercitions comments about the Navy — perhaps in his infancy he was bitten by a sub-lieutenant. More seriously, in his discussion of leauth of conflict he discussion of length of conflict he misses one vital point: reinforcement is surely to be started as early as possible during tension as a signal of resolve and thereby as a

deterrent.

If deterrence fails, reinforcement is needed to keep Nato's options open; one option, given reinforcement, is to continue to fight with conventional weapons. Without reinforcement, this option is not available after a few days. It is certainly misleading to suggest that the anti-submarine war will only be joined when it is "relevant to reinforce the Army". deterrent. Yours faithfully, MARIKA HJORNE,

Pankridge Street, Crondall, Farnham. Surrey. May 31.

ship in the late fifties, and as South Africa's representative at that time, I can attest to his zeal. It is perhaps of interest that Claude Cheysson is the third member of that small London group—only eight countries were represented—to have become Foreign Minister. The others were Alex Quaison-Sackey, of Ghana, and Franco Nogueira, of Portugal. Words and figures

From Mr F. T. Bennell From Mr F. T. Bennell
Sir, While not disagreeing with the general suggestion of Philip Howard's article (May 25) that technical words are liable to be misused by journalists (indeed the article itself knadvertentily reinforces this view) I do not agree that the BBC reporter was wrong to say something was increasing "exponentially". It is a precise statement to make of anything where the rate of increase is proportional to its size at that moment and I presume that that moment and I presume that what was meant was that the bigger it gets the faster it grows, which would be a reasonable use of the

Neither do I see anything wrong with the expression lowest common denominator. A denominator in mathematics is written as a number below the line but it represents the parts of which a fraction is composed. Yours faithfully, F. T. BENNELL. Consultant Engineer, 68b Crockford Park Road,

Weybridge, Surrey. May 25.

Foxing the hunt From Miss Victoria Spenser Wilkin-

Sir, Mr G. V. Harries (June 2) has unfortunately resurrected a story which was attributed to my father by Sir Victor Mallet in a footnote in his Life with Queen Victoria, published in 1968.

In December 1968 I wrote to Sir Victor Mallet to point out that his facts were incorrect and that Sir George Clark (All Souls College), who kindly did some research for me, found that the invention of the bicycle tactic was by John Cook Wilson. On hearing from me Sir Victor Mallet immediately apologised, and at my suggestion wrote a letter explaining his mistake, which was published by *The Times Literary* Supplement (January 23, 1969).

I hope this information will put to rest the defamatory idea that my father had invented this absurd "tactle" referred to by Mr Harries,

obviously in ignorance of the facts. Yours faithfully, VICTORIA SPENSER WILKINSON, 142 Hatherley Court, Hatherley Grove, W2.

June 2. All for the best

From Mrs Colin Strickland Sir, in reply to the Chaplain of Sussex University, (June 3), when my father remarried at Crundale church, near Canterbury, on December 11, 1975, not only was my sister his best man, but my step-mother's daughter was her sway. daughter gave her away. Yours sincerely:

ROSEMARY STRICKLAND, Swarling Manor, Petham, Canterbury.



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE June 4: His Excellency Mr Barak Sope was received in audience by The Queen and presented his Letters of Commission as High Commissioner for the Republic of

Commissioner for the Republic of Vanuatu in London. His Excellency was accompanied by the following member of the High Commission, who had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty: Mr Joseph And Laloyer (Attaché).

Sir Edward Youde (Deputy to

Laloyer (Attaché).
Sir Edward Youde (Deputy to
the Permanent Under-Secretary of
State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) who had the
honour of being received by The
Queen was present, and the
Gentlemen of the Household in
Writing were in attendance. Waiting were in attendance.
General Sir John Stanier had
the honour of being received by
The Ousen upon his appointment
as Aide-de-Camp General to Her

Majesty.

General Sir Michael Gow had the honour of being received by The Queen upon his appointment as Aide-de-Camp General to Her

as Aide-de-Camp General to Her Majesty.

Mr Leslic Pengelly had the honour of being received by The Queen upon his retirement as Court Postmaster when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Member of the Royal Victorian Order (Fifth Class).

The Oueen, accompanied by The Duke of Edinburgh, this evening took the Salute at a Ceremony of Beating Retreat by the Massed Bands of the Household Division on Horse Guards Parade in aid of the Army Benevolent Fund and Household Division Charities.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received upon arrival by the Major-General Commanding, Household Division (Major-General Desmond Langley).

The Marchioness of Aber-

(Major-General Desmond Langley).

The Marchioness of Abergavenny and Squadron Leader
Adam Wise were in attendance.

The Duke of Edinburgh, President of the Royal Bath and West
and Southern Counties Society,
visited the Royal Bath and West
Show at Shepton Mallet today and
was received by Her Majesty's
Lord-Lieutenant for Somerset
(Lieutenant-Colonel Walter Lubtrell).

trell).
His Royal Highness, attended by Mr Richard Davies, travelled in an alcraft of The Queen's Flight. The Prince of Wales, Chairman, the York Archeological, Trust, this morning at Buckingham Palace received Mr P. V. Addyman and Mr Charles Chetwood.

Percentage of The Queen the

Mr Charles Chetwood.

By command of The Queen, the Lord Hamilton of Dalzell (Lord in Walting) was present at Gatwick Airport, London this afternoon upon the arrival of the Governor-General of Australia and Lady Cowen and welcomed Their Excellencies on behalf of Her Majesty. CLARENCE HOUSE

June 4: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this morning at the Founder's Day Parade at the Royal Hospital, Chelsea.

The Lady Jean Rankin, Sir Martin Gilliat and Captain Ashe Windham were in attendance.

RENSINGTON PALACE

June 4: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon was present Countess or Showdon was present today at a luncheon given at the Savoy Hotel by the Friends of Covent Garden to celebrate the liftent anniversary of the Royal Ballet of which Her Royal Bigh-The Hon Mrs Whitehead was in

Princess Anne will be installed as Chancellor of London University on October 13. She takes over the post from Queen Elizabeth the Oueen Mother, who was Chancellor for 25 years before retiring Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester and the Doke and Duchess of Gloucester will witness

the Queen's birthday parade from Horse Guards on June 13. The Duke of Gloucester, Honorary Colonel, Royal Monmouthshire Royal Engineers, will visit the regiment in training at Wyke Regis, Dorset, on June 16. Princess Alexandra will visit Kendal Brewery Arts Centre, Cumbria, on July 1.



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Revive home

Strong says

By our Arts Reporter
A plea for the retention and revival of the lost and dying skills of home life war warfs west and the property of the strong warfs warfs warfs.

of home life was made resterday by Dr Roy Strong, director of the Victoria and Albert Museum.

Speaking at the annual meeting in London of the National Federation of Women's Institutes, Dr Strong said: "All the myriad demestic aris that once embellished a home have so often been destroyed by mass production, the reners of the modernist movement, in the arts or just plain insertia.

in the arts or just plain inertia before a relevision set".

It was up to the individual to revice and keep alive the domestic

Dr Strong also appealed for re-cords to be kept for posterity of the ordinary domestic scene. Pho-

tographs were lavished on children and on holidays but there was never a record of a house, a flat,

It centred on the will of people

a garden or a place of work.

crafts beritage, he said.

life skills,

the bride, the Prince of Wales and Lady Diana Spencer. Middle row: Lady Jasmin Cavendish (bridesmaid), Mrs Weatherall (bride's mother), Captain Tony Weatherall (bride's father), Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, Princess Margaret, Lord Soames (groom's father), Lady Soames

(groom's mother), Martha Pilkington (bridesmaid). Front row: Bridesmaids and pages: Clementine Hambro, Flora Davidson, Willa Beckett, Johnny Jenks, Jake Bevan, Poppy Keswick, Emma Parker-Bowles, Tom Parker-Bowles, Anastasia Bond-Gumming and Poppy Teacher. tion in aid of the building appeal fund for St James and St Vedast independent schools, Queen's Gate, London, at the Mansion House yesterday evening. Sir David and Lady Barren received the guests who included:
Julia Lady Seron, Sir Basil Engholm, Mr Justice Jupp, Sir Robert Mayer, Judge Miskin, QC. and Mr Campbell Nelson, patrons of the schools.

Forthcoming

marriages Mr A. N. Ridley

and Miss M. A. Passmore and Miss M. A. Passmore
The forthcoming marriage is
announced between Adam Nicholas, only son of the Hon Mrs
Cressida Ridley and the late
Jasper Ridley, and Margaret Anne
(Biddy), youngest daughter of Mr
and Mrs F. L. Passmore, of Virginia Water, Surrey.

Wedding group: Members of the Royal Family with the wedding group after the marriage at St

Margaret's, Westminster, yesterday between the Hon Nicholas Soames and Miss Catherine Weatherall. Back row, from left: Isabelle Weatherall (the bride's sister), the bridegroom,

Professor D. Keith-Lucas

Marriages

Mr I. A. du Pré and Mile S. de Brabandère

The engagement is announced between Ian Alastair, second son of Mr and Mrs Gareth du Pré, of Beacon Hill, St Clement, Jersey, and Sabine, youngest daughter of the late Guy de Brabandère and of Mrs. of Ersbandère and of Mrs. of Ersbandère and of Mme de Brahandère of Brussels.

and Miss S. A. Joicey
The engagement is announced between Edward, son of Mr and Mrs William Forwood, of Woodstock, Newtownmountkennedy, co Wicklow, Republic of Ireland, and Sabina, daughter of Major and Mrs John Joicey, of Blenkinsopp Hall, Haltwhistle, Northumberland.

Mr C. W. A. Gross and Mrs S. B. Fisher

The engagement is announced between Charles, son of Mr and Mrs K. A. C. Gross, of Friendly Lodge, Fordwich, Canterbury, Kent, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip J. Berg, of Sewickley, Pennsylvania.

Mr W. J. S. Hodgson and Mile M. Y. Botero-Medina de Medinacoeii

The engagement is announced and The engagement is announced and the marriage will take piace in Paris on Saturday, July 25, between William, youngest son of Mr and Mrs A. G. S. Hodgson, of Geerings, Warnham, Sussex, and Monica Yssbel, daughter of Mme Bruno René Tripier, of 5 Avenue Alphand, Paris 75116, France and Segor Citherro Rotero-Medina. Señor Gilberto Botero-Medina.

Mr J. L. Nixon and Miss J. M. Watson

The engagement is announced between John Leigh, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Howard M. Nixon, of Westminster, and Janet Milord, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Watson, of Farnham, Surrey.

SIR ROBERT STEPS DOWN AT 102

Sir Robert Mayer, who is 102 today, and Lord Drogheda are relinquishing their joint chairmanship of Youth and Music, although they remain as directors. They have been appointed vice-presidents of the organization that was founded by Sir Robert.

Mr. Albert Frost an executive

Mr Albert Frost an executive director of Marks and Spencer, has been appointed chairman. The Youth and Music Trust, has been renamed the Robert Mayer Trust for Youth and Music.

Royal College of Physicians

Among new fellows admitted by the President of the Royal College of Physicians of London, Sir Douglas Black, yesterday were Dr D S Fredrickson, Dr A K Grant, Dr M I Grossman, Dr J C Laidlaw, Dr H Mahler and Dr S M Mellin-koff under special by-law.

Diabetic women are less likely than those in normal health to have an uncompli-cated pregnancy. Their babies

cated pregnancy. Their babies are larger, they are more often stillborn, and they have more congenital defects. Between 6 per cent and 9 per cent of infants born to diabetic mothers have some serious physical defect—three to four times the rate in non-diabetic mothers. A research study recently completed at the Joslin Diabetes Center, Boston, United States, suggests, however, that this high rate of birth defects could be cut by better "control" of the diabetes.

Once pregnant, most dia-

betic women cooperate closely with their doctors in an attempt to keep fluctuations in their blood sugar concen-

trations to a minimum. Im-

portant as this good control of the diabetes may be, it is unlikely to affect the chances of birth defects. Serious mal-

formations are usually due to

faulty development in the first eight weeks of pregnancy, before women usually see their doctors for advice.

For many years doctors

have believed that women

liabetes.

A reception was held at the Hyde Park Hotel and the honey-moon will be spent abroad.

and Miss E. R. Durnford
The marriage took place on Saturday, May 30, in Montreal, Canada,
between Mr Robert Marshall
Brooks, son of Mr and Mrs
William Brooks, and Miss Evelyn
Rachael Durnford, daughter of Professor and Mrs John Durnford Christening

Christening
The infant daughter of Mr and
Mrs Charles Benson was christened.
Honor May by the Rev Robert
Greaves in the Guards Chapel,
Wellington Barracks, on June 2.
The godparents are the Earl of
Hailfax, Mr Richard Hambro, Mr
Jeremy Hindley. Mr Robert
Sangster, Mr Archie Stirling, the
Begun Aga Khan, Lady Charles
Spencer-Churchill, Mrs Simon
Courtauld and Mrs Andrew Parker
Bowles.

£10,000 bond winners The Premium Savings Bond winners of £10,000 in the June draw, announced yesterday, are: 4EK 724675 (winner lives in Northamptonshire), 9FF 796407 (South Yorkshire), 1HF 420405 (Clwyd), SSW 400335 (Dumfries), and 10WK 803505 (Lancashire).

Legal appointment

Mr. I. C. R. McCuliough, QC, has been appointed a High Court Judge, in succession to Sir Alan-Mocatta who has retired. He will be assigned to the Queen's Bench Science report

Luncheons

HM Government The Lord Privy Seal was host at a luncheon held at Admiralty House yesterday in honour of Mr Hugo Gobbi, United Nations Special Negotiator.

Mr S. Manuel and Miss S. Morris
The engagement is announced between Stephen Alan, son of Mr and Mrs Lionel Manuel, of Kensington, London, and Susan, daughter of Mr Neil Morris and the late Mrs Lisa Morris, of Whitecraigs, Glasgow. HM Government
The Hon Nicholas Ridley, Minister
of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a
luncheon held at I Carlton Gardens yesterday in honour of the
Paraguayan Foreign Minister, Dr
Alberto Nogues. The Ambassador HM Government rrotessor D. Keith-Lucas and Mrs J. Everard
The engagement is announced and the marriage will shortly take place quietly between David Keith-Lucas, husband of the lare Dorothy de Bauduy, and Phyllis Marion, widow of John Hugh Everard. of Paraguay was among those

Mr A. J. W. Mann
and Miss G. McNuity
The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr and Mrs
D. B. Mann, of Hampton Wick,
Kingston-upon-Thames and Gaff,
elder daughter of Mr E. B. McNulty, of Timperley, Cheshire and
Mrs E. B. McNulty, of Lewes,
Sussex. Commonwealth Parliamentary

Association
Sir Graham Page, MP, accompanied by Lady Page, was host at a luncheon given at the House of a luncheon given at the House of Commons yesterday by the United Kingdom branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, in bonoar of Mr Clive Griffiths, President of the Legislative Council of Western Australia, and Mrs Griffiths. Lord Aberdare, the Hou Roland Moyle, Mr. Mr Donald Limon and Mr James Batten were among those present. among those present.

The Hon Nicholas Soames and Miss C. N. Weatherall Queen Rilizabeth the Queen Mother, the Prince of Wales, who was best man, Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, and Lady Diana Spencer were present at the marriage which took place at St Margaret's, Westminster', yesterday, between the Hon Nicholas Soames, eldest son of Lord and Lady Soames, and Miss Catherine Weatherall, eldest daughter of Captain and Mrs Tony Weatherall. The Rev Charles Cowley officiated, assisted by the Rev Philip Hayllar. Canon John Baker and Canon 'james Mansell were robed and in the sanctuary.

The bride, who was given in among those present.

Pranco-British Society
Mme Simone Veil, President of
the European Parliament, was the
guest of honour and speaker at a
luncheon given by the Marquess
of Lansdowne, chairman, and the
council of the Franco-British
Society yesterday at Dartmouth
House. The French Ambassador
and Mme Emmanuct de Margerie
were among those present.

Butchers' Company Mr David Cornell, Master of the Butchers' Company, presided at a court funcheon held at Butchers' Hall yesterday, Mr R. W. H. Covell and Earl Ferrers, Minister of State, Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food, also spoke.

and in the sanctuary.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Tom Parker Bowies, Jake Bevan, Johnny Jenks, Emma Parker Bowies, Poppy Keswick, Anastasia Bond Gumming, Flora Davidson, Willa Beckett. Lady Jasmin Cavendish, Poppy Teacher, Clementine Hambro and Martha Pilkington.

A. reception was held at the Receptions. Independent Educational Associa-

The Lord Mayor and the Sheriff: attended a reception given by the Independent Educational Associa-

Birthdays today

to plant for posterity and not for tomorrow—" to resist the lure of legiand; and the flowering sarbus that is turning this country into a cross between Japan and Norway, and to plant instead Andax Club, held at Claridge's native oak or ash, beech or hotel last night. Costume design by Bakst is sold for £7,000

The Theatre Museum paid £7,000.

at Sotheby's yesterday for a costume design by Leon Bakst in a sale of ballet designs from the collection of Mr and Mrs John Carr Doughty. It was a water-colour study of a young Raja for Fokine's ballet Le Dieu Bleu, which was first presented in Paris in 1912 (estimate £7,000 to £7,500).

Ward-Jackson, a London dealer normally known for his interest in Old Master drawings, paid £6,000 for "The Fan. Dancer—Rayoniste portrait of Catherine-Rayoniste portrait of Catherine-Devillers", in watercoldur and gousche, by Mikhal Larionoy (estimate £6,000 to £8,000). collection of Mr and Mrs John Carr Doughty. It was a water-colour study of a young Raja for Fokine's ballet Le Dieu Bleu, which was first presented in Paris in 1912 (estimate 27,000 to 27,500). Ward-Jackson, a London dealer normally known for his interest in Old Master drawings, paid 56,000 for "The Fau Dancer-Rayoniste portrait of Catherine Devilliers", in watercolour and gousche, by Mikhall Larionos (estimate 16,000 to 28,000). The sale produced £146,964, with just under 9 per cent bought in, and there was marked interest in English designs of the 1930s and 1940s.

Sotheby's also offered routine

Caledonian Club

Dinners

Cinque Ports

The annual reception of the dinner club of the Royal Thames Yacht Club and the Caledonian Club took place at the Caledonian Club last night.

Cinque Ports
The Deputy Constable of Dover
Castle and Airs Atherton entertained the Barons of the Cinque
Ports and their ladies, at dinner
at Dover Castle yesterday. The
other guests included:
The High Sheris' of Neat and ValorGeneral Viscount Nonection of Breathley, the Bishop of Dover and NatThird, and the Admirally Court Judge
and Mrs Darling.

Air Vice-Marshal P. J. O'Connor, President of the United Services

Section of the Conted Services of Medicine, accompanied by Mrs O'Connor, presided at the sunual dianer of the section held at 1 Wimpole Street yesterday.

The annual luncheon for officers and their ladies of The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment) was held at the Naval and Military Club, Piccadilly, yesterday, Major-General R. F. Richardson, Colonel of the regiment, presided.

The King's Royal Rifle Corps

General Sir Edwin Bramall, Colonel Commandant, The Royal

Green Jackets, presided at the

Royal Society of Medicine

Service luncheon

Service dinner

The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment)

Miss Margaret Drabble, writer, who is 42 today. in English designs of the 1930s and 1940s.

Sotheby's also offered routine English and foreign silver and plate, making a total of £71,647, with 21 per cent bought in.

In a sale of nineteenth-century twories, sculpture and works of art at Christie's, a French silvered, gitted and coloured copper and bronze wase, known as Le Vase des Arts, which was expected to fetch a high price, failed to sell, being bought in at £15,000. That largely accounted for the 34 per cent which was bought in out of a total of £101,502.

At Christie's South Kensington an anonymous dealer paid £5,000 for a very superior musical box,

Sir Kenueth Anderson, 75; Sir Stephen Chapman, 74; Professor C M Fletcher, 70; Sir Gerald Glover, 73; Mr David Hare, 34; Professor Christopher Hawkes, 75; Sir Jack Jacob, QC, 73; Mr Ivan Mason, 75; Sir Robert Mayer, CH, 102; Professor R M Oglivie, 49; Professor Sir Rudolf Peirels, 74; Sir John Pile, 63; Miss Margaret Rawlings, 75; Sir Arthur Vick, 70.

Diabetes: Birth defects cut

poorly controlled in those

poorly controlled in those crucial eight weeks were more likely to have babies with congenital defects but there was no way to confirm or refute this suspicion. Recent research has now shown that diabetics with high blood that diabetics with high blood sugar concentrations, poorly controlled diabetes, have more than average amounts of. a sugar-bound pigment, glycosylated haemoglobin, in the bloodstream. Measurement of this pigment gives a reliable estimate of the quality of an individual's diabetic control over the previous four to eight weeks.

So the diabetic specialists

So the diabetic specialists at the Joslin Medical Center looked at the glycosylated haemoglobin values in 116 women with severe diabetes who had given birth between 1007 and 1000 Effects had who had given birth between 1977 and 1980. Fifteen had had babies with serious birth defects: eight had congenital heart disease, four had brain malformation, and one case each of defects of the lungs, abdomen, and ears. Six of the infant died from their things. infants died from their birth defects. Thirteen of these 15 women had above average concentrations of glycosylated haemoglobin; only two were in the low range.

The clear implication is

that if diabetes is poorly con-trolled in the very first weeks of pregnancy the risk of a congenital defect is substantially increased. Conversely, careful attention to diet and careful attention to diet and insulin dosage may reduce these risks to near normal levels. Furthermore, recent research in Britain has suggested that non-diabetic women can reduce their chances of having a maiformed baby by taking extra vitamins in the weeks immediately before and just after conception.

For most of this century parents have had to accept that around one in every 50 babies was born with some malformation: At last there is a prospect of that risk being reduced by the combination of the sociological change that has enabled most women to choose the timing of their pregnancies by a deliberate pregametes by a democrate act of stopping contraception, and this new, rapidly evolving concept of preconceptual medicine, giving treatment to get the woman's litternal themistry into the best condition for the developing embryo. New England Journal of Madicine (May 28, 1981, p

Saint Francis of Assisi gave away all that he had, but a mere £5,300 would buy a fine sixteenth century Franco-Flemish wooden statue of him at the seventh annual Fine Art and Antiques Fair, which opened at Olympia yesterday. It is one of about 500,000 antique items, ranging in price from £5 to more than £50,000, in what is becoming British's leading fair.

The fair is open from 11 am to 8 pm every day until June 13, with the exception of Sunday, lune 7. The admission price of £2.50 includes catalogues and the opportunity to see the superb collection of pre-Columbian gold artefacts lent by the Museo det Oro in Lima, Peru. Latest wills Sir James Martin, of Denham, Sur Issues Handler, or Declinary, or Declinary, or Declinary, or of the Martin Baker Aircraft Co, who invested the aircraft ejector seat in 1947, left estate valued at £763,973 net.

or anonymous dearer pair 25,000 for a very superior musical box, or rather musical wardrobe, a chamber orchestrion by [mbof and Makle (estimate £4,000 to £5,000). A grandlose opright polyphon, with 19 discs, sold for £3,000 (estimate

Mr Edward Frederick Croft-Mmray of Richmond upon University news

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Thames, keeper of the Department of Prints and Brawings to the British Museum, 1954-72, left £452,535 net. the British Museum, 1954-72, left E452,535 met.

Alice Marjorie Wyse, of Camden, London, Jonquil Antony, the creator of Mrs Dale's Diary, left £11,331 wer. After personal bequents she left the residue to the Anglo-Imilian Society for the Protection of Animals.

in a sale of textiles and costume

which made a total of £13,716, with 3 per cent failing to find buyers

St Francis in wood

for £5,500

Diary quiz answers 1: Both were Derby day winners. The Aga Khan's Shergar won the big race. That morning, Michael Vicary, of Southampton, won 5750,000 on the pools.

2: Mr Menachem Begin, Israel's Prime Minister, for one. Under Israel election rules, television pictures of Begin's summit with President Sadat of Egypt can show only the foreigner. Mr Begin's hand, shaking Mr Sadat's, was allefat was seen.

that was seed.

3: Lady Diana Spencer, in a special coin to be issued in Australia.

4: First, it was feared that pirates would salvage five tonnes of gold bullion, worth £45m, from the wreck of the cruiser Edinburgh, which went down in the Barents Sea 39 years ago. Then the BBC decided to postpone its broadcast of Harold Robbins's The Pirate part week, in view of King next week, in view of King Khaled's state visit,

Mr J. B. Ward-Perkins, CMG, CBE, FBA, Director of the British School at Rome from 1946 to 1974, died on May 28 at the age of 69. John Bryan Ward-Perkins

John Bryan Ward-Perkins was born on February 3, 1912. His childhood was spent largely with his mother's parents in Bromley until his father's retirement from the ICS (Burma) and the return to England of his parents.

The stimulus that set him to archaeology came when, as a scholar at Winchester, he worked with other boys under the headmaster Monty Randall on the excavation of Buckley Priory, and by the time he had gained his First in Greats at New College in 1934 he had determined on an archaeological career.

Cal Career.

Until 1936 he was a Craven
Fellow and Senior Demy at
Magdalen. Then he was largely
concerned with the Pre-Roman Iron Age in Britain. He worked as the collaborator with Thalassa Hencken on the exaction at Bredon Hill (Glos) and in France he studied the pottery from the oppidum stormed by Caesar at Gergovia near Clermont-Ferrand, excavated by Olwen Brogan and Emil Desforges. But already wider horizons were being

opened.
In Italy he met Ellis Water-In Italy he met Ellis Waterhouse at the British School and
their travels together resulted
in his notable paper on the
sculpture of Visigothic France,
a complement to Waterhouse's
own work on that of Spain.
In 1936 he was appointed
assistant in the London
Museum at Lancaster House,
then under the Keepership of
Mortimer Wheeler. His duties

then under the Keepership of Mortimer Wheeler. His duties included preparation of the catalogue of medieval antiquities. Ward-Perkins, a keen naturalist, brought to the task the same scientific acumen that a zoologist might bring to a taxonomic study in his classification of the material and the work remains a standard work for the period. Time outside the museum was spent in directing his own excavations at Welwyn, Herts, one of the first Romano-British villas (Lockleys) to be excavated, and at the Iron Aga hill fort of Oldbury near Ightham in his own Kent.

On the eye of the war be

On the eve of the war be accompanied Wheeler on his expedition to study the hillforts of Northern France and was appointed the first — and as it transpired the sole — holder of the chair of Archaeology in the Royal University of Malta. He carried out a six-month survey of the prohistoric monuments

"You can always discover what a banquet looked like but the variety of the approxime of ordinary meals and table-laying of the prehistoric monuments in the island before returning to England. In August 1939 Wheeler In August 1939 Wheeler returned hurriedly from France to found the 48th TA Light Anti-Aircraft Battery around a cadre of five — including himself and Ward-Perkins, a unit that grew rapidly into the 42nd Mobile Light AA Regiment of four hameries. The regiment under Wheeler's command saw service in North Africa and was at El-Alamein.

Ward-Perkins himself had been in a motor accident near recorded."

Dr Strong was also concerned at the loss of the country's natural heritage. With EEC rulings am fruit and vegetables, the devastation of elm disease and the standardization imposed on garden centres and nursories, variety would in future depend on the ability of the community to maintain it.

been in a motor accident near Ismailia and missed the battle. The accident was for him a happy one for during the ten days spent in a front line hospital before being transferred to Syria he met his future wife Margaret Long, whose support and loyalty was to be of incalculable help throughout his life.

throughout his life.

After a honeymoon at Luxor the British advance into Libya saw Ward-Perkins, now a major, briefly seconded (on Wheeler's initiative) from military dunies to organize the military government's antiquities department in Tripoli and Cyrenaica. The study and reconstruction of the rich Roman cities of Tripolitania had been commenced during the Italian occupation and the protection of these outstanding monuments must have been both a stimulus and a challenge.

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With the promotion of Wheeler
to Brigadier, Ward-Perkins
found himself for a time in
charge of the Regiment before
returning for another term in
the work of salvage and
conservation.

Conservation.

After the allied invasion of Italy he was chosen to head the Monuments and Fine Arts Subcommission of the military Subcommission of the military government. The task that faced him was herculean but it had its compensations. In the Sitwells' villa at Montegufoni outside Florence he stumbled across masterpieces by Donatello, Botticelli and Cimabne, roughly stacked up or already crated and labelled for transportation to Germany.

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After the War Lieut-Col Ward-Perkins was released from military service to take up the Directorship of the British School at Rome, which largely through the devotion of the steward, Bruno Bonelli, had survived the war intact.

Already there were signs of things to come. A large collection of air photographs taken by the RAF during flights over Italy and adjacent lands was quickly secured to serve as an invaluable aid to archaeological studies. From the outset

an invaluable aid to archaeological studies. From the outset Ward-Perkins established cordial relations with Italian archaeologists and assisted in founding the International Association of Classical Archaeology, then intended to counter the effects of the temporary removal of the great German academic libraries from Rome.

Soon he was secretary accounts Soon he was secretary-general of the Union of Foreign Institutes in Rome. Realising that Rome could be a base for work urgently needed else-where, in the late 1940s he was

leading groups to work at Sabratha, where excavations were conducted by Kathleen Lady Watson, widow of Sir Charles Watson, KCIE, CSI, died on May 28 at the age of 94. She was Phyllis Marion, daugh-ter of Alfred Field, and she was married in 1912. Her husband died in 1934:

died in 1934.

Lady Lockhart-Mummery, wife of Sir Hugh Evelyn Lockhart-Mummery, KCVO, MD, FRCS, died on May 29. She was Elizabeth Jean Crerar, daughter of Sir James Crerar, KCIE, CIE, and she was married in 1946.

MR J. B. WARD-PERKINS Major contributions to archaeological research

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Kenyon, and later to Lepcis Magna. Magna.

By now his colleagues and collaborators were on the scene: Joyce Reynolds, with whom he edited the Inscriptions of Roman Tripolitania (1952).
Richard Goodchild, Librarian of
the School, and later Comroller
of Antiquities in Cyrenaica; and
Jocelyn Toynbee. From associstion with these and other scholars (including David Oates and Donald Strong) came major and Donald Strong) came major papers on the Christian Antiqui-ties in Tripolitania, the Hunting Baths at Lepcis Magna, the system of fortified farms in the hinterland (Limes Tripolitanus), and the architecture of Lepcis

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Magna. By the mid-1950s the School's range of activities, which included its now fully revived community of Arts scholars, exceeded that of pre-war years and its high standing was and its high standing was attributed to the energy and ability of its young director (appointed CBE in 1955). In 1955 the publication of his report (jointly with Jocelyn Toynbee) on excavations beneath St. Peter's marked the resumption of work in Italy.

In Autumn 1954 a visit with of Rome had marked the beginning of his major archaeological project, the South Etruria Survey, to which he devoted most of his energies in the years following. Young scholars from Britain scholars from Britain were drawn into a great co-operative study of a landscape in prelistoric, ancient and medieval times. There was field work, documentary study while the

artists were encouraged to help as draughtsmen in an enterprise he directed with great zest. The Survey, chosen in the first instance as a prudent alternative to large schemes of alternative to large schemes of excavation, which were out of favour at the time, brought many new techniques in recording and mapping the history of a landscape and has served as a model for many other projects. Soon the area surveys began to appear in volumes of the Papers of the British School which he edited.

Later selective excavations began, notably at Veii where the ingenuity of Etruscan public engineering began to be revealed.

As Ward-Perkins inspired and directed the work of others in Italy so the claims of the wider world pressed upon him. Early in 1957 he taught for a period in the Fine Arts Institute of New York University and in the following years gave major series of lectures in Harvard, Edinburgh, Oxford, London, Rome, Ann Arbor, Sydney and Cincinnati.

Already a Fellow of the British Academy from 1951, ha was honoured with membership by the Pontificia Accademia in of Stockholm and the Academy of Naples.

Naples.

Honorary degrees came from Birmingham and Alberta. He was awarded the Medaglia d'oro per i Benemeriti della Cuitura by the Italian government and in 1962 was Serena medallist of the British Academy and later received the Cultori di Roma Gold Medal.

As he became at a relatively early age one of the most distinguished figures of his generation in Classical Archaeblogy so he was able to advance projects requiring co-operation from foreign schools and academies. He was particularly responsible for reviving the systematic publication of sculpture in the Roman Empire (Corpus signoru imperii Romani) and the great scheme for mapping the Roman Empire (Tabula imperii Romani) As (Tabula imperii Romani) As president or chairman he encouraged the timid, preached to the unbelieving and, when necessary, simply by-passed the obstructive. obstructive.

Retirement from the School in 1974 marked by his appointment as CMG the following year increased his tempo of work. After a year in Princeton he was, as academic adviser, largely responsible for the exhibition of remains from Pompeii which drew great crowds to Burlington House in the autumn of 1976. The catalogue produced for that event (jointly with Amanda Claridge) is a remarkable work, among the finest of his publications.

In the following year when he was also elected president of the Society for Libyan Studies, his achievement was acknowledged by Presidency of the XI Congress of Classical Archaeology held in London, being at the time also President of the the time also President of the International Association of Classical Archaeology (FIAC).

Of his books the best known is his Etruscan and Roman

is his Etruscan and Roman Architecture (1970) for the Pelican History of Art, written jointly with Axel Boethius. As in his other work he guides the reader to an awareness that building in the Empire was produced by many local traditions of craftsmanship and design, working in a variety of materials.

No less an achievement were

materials.

No less an achievement were his studies of brick construction published in the second volume of the Great Palace of the Byzantine Emperors (1959).

For 28 years he conducted the affairs of a British institution in a foreign city with no diplomatic status but with quasi-diplomatic responsibilities. Not only did he succeed in this but he contributed much to the reviving of Rome as a centre of humanistic studies. With his wife, Margaret, he guided skilfully a ship whose passenger list was constantly change ing.

Mr Frank Keighley, who died on May 30 at the age of 81, entered the Union of London and Smiths Bank as a junior clerk in 1915. The bank was amalgamated with the National Provincial Bank in 1918 of which, when he retired in 1961, he was chief general manager.

Lady Benson, widow of Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Res Benson, DSO, MVO, MC, died



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Morgan bids £6.54m for Myson

chant bank, has offered £6.54m for the ordinary shares in Myson, the central heating group, on behalf of a group of institutional investors and two individuals. Mr R. A. A. Wheeler and Mr J. G. Salkeld.

Myson ran into financial diffi-cuities at the end of 1980.

Morgan Grefel lis prepared to pay 680 for each Myson share. It will also offer £2.91m for the three million convertible preference shares acquired by Barclays Bank when it put together a rescue package for Myson in April Barclays will not convert the preference shares if the offer becomes unennditional.

Mr Wheeler and Mr Salkeld were until recently associate directors of GEC. If the offer-succeeds, Mr. Wheeler will become managing director of Myson. The astitutions include five fund management com-panies, and a subsidiary of Morgan Grenfell.

Beecham profits up

Beecham, the drugs company which has just won a United Kingdom licence for its antiblotic Augmentin, increased pretax profits by 10 per cent to £151m in the year to March 31 on sales un from £1,028m to £1,195m. The year's dividend was raised by 9 per cent to \$9.52p gross 9.52p gross, Financial Editor, page 19

Wire report The worst is yet to come for the wire industry, according to Inter Company Comparisons, a report released yesterday. Average return on capital fell by one-lifth from 15.9 per cent to 12.7 per cent between 1977 and mid-1980, and sales growth failed to keep pace with infla-tion, the report says.

Hire purchase rises

purchase contracts agreed last month totalled 115,871 according to Hire Purchase Information. This compares with 103,432 in April cars accounted for 37,085 of last month's contracts and those for used cars amounted to 50,214.

Car output falls

Car production in Britain fell by 48 per cent during the four weeks to May 23 according to the latest provisional estimates. Only 45,000 (seasonally adjusted) were produced compared with 86,000 in the previous four weeks. The fell is attributed to industrial

Electronics venture A group of electronic com-panies from the Nato-countries. among them Plessey and Marconi, will set up a joint venture called ACCSCO SA, registered in Brussels, to work, on the Nato air command control system.

US-China trade up

Trade between the United States and China should reach \$6,000 (£3,015m) this year and \$10,000m by 1984, Mr Malcolm Baldridge, America's secretary of commerce, said. Trade between the countries doubled last year to \$4.800m, two thirds of

it in United States exports.

Research project Butler Cox & Partners will undertake a major 12 month £250,000 research project into the market for office tech-

The project will be funded partly by the Department of Industry and subscribing com-panies which include British Telecom ICL and Rediffusion

Computers.

Wall Street lower The Dow Jones industrial average closed at 986.74, down 2.97 on Wall Street yesterday. The SSDR exchange rate was 1.15285 while the £-SDR rate.

Extra tax relief to aid

small businesses

The Government has bowed to pressure from businessmen and accountants and introduced big changes in its business startup scheme designed to help small companies,

The scheme, which offers tax relief on up to £10,000 of private investment in new ventures, was widely welcomed when it was announced in the which it was announced in the Budget. But the mass of restric-tive clauses which emerged with the publication of the Finance Bill prompted a barrage of criticism.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chan-cellor of the Exchequer, yester-day announced significant ensing of the terms for tax relief. Another significant change in the Finance Bill was also ennounced. This was the withdrawal of Clause 34, which proorawal of Clause 34, which provided for a 30 per cent deduction from payments made to agency workers operating through companies. Some pressure groups had claimed the effect of this clause would be so severe as to offset most of the benefits for small busin-esses in the rest of the Budget. The Government is to hold further consultations on the clause with a view to introducing revised proposals next vear, and Mr Peter Rees, the Treasury Minister, said the start-up scheme was still open

to further debate, Tax relief will now be available for investors in a company during the first five years of its life, instead of three, and

Smoothing.

car exports

By Peter Hill

Mr Zenko Suzuki, the Jap-

anese Prime Minister, yesterday

said that his Government would

help solve as smoothly as possi-

ble the problem of Japan's

Speaking in Tokyo against the background of the unpro-

ductive talks earlier this week

the

concerned and direct govern-

mental intervention was not

But the Japanese Govern-

ment will help the automotive industries solve the problem as smoothly as possible," he said. Mr Suzuki's soothing words, however, coincided with a warn-

ing from another British indus-try on the need for a tougher line to be taken against Jap-

vention not appropriate.

Mr Harry Hornsby, director general of the Process Plant Association, which has an annual turnover of £2,500m and

annual turnover of £2,500m and employs more than \$0,000 people, referring to the talks earlier this week, said that it was disappointing that the Japanese had been unable to grasp the European point of view.

"Although British industry's

immediate concern is with motor vehicles, electronics and

shipbuilding we are only too aware that the existing Jap-

anese pressure for exports may

shortly become a serious

problem for the British process plant industry, he said.

Citing the gross imbalance in trade between Europe and lapan in mechanical engineering products and electronic an

goods over the past ten years

Mr Hornsby said that previous experience suggested that the

only way to negotiate was from

Urging the British Government to impress on the Japanese authorities the need

to open up the Japanese market to exports from Europe and in-

vestment in Japan by European

companies. Mr Hornsby pointed out that trade was a two way

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a position of strength.

anese exports to Europe.

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rising car exports to Europe.

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Mr Rees: debate needed to establish right balance

on up to 50 per cent of its equity instead of 30 per cent, It will also be available where the company has one or more for investment in more than one class of ordinary shares, and when a company has fixed rate preference shares.

Tax relief will be available, when a brother or sister is the investor, and the rules when relief can be withdrawn are also being relaxed. This latter area will include a reduction from five years to three over which the Inland Revenue can claw back relief when a busi-ness no longer qualifies for:

Finally, an investor can re-

ceive fees from the company in a legitimate professional or trading role, although he can-not receive fees as a nonexecutive director.

Mr Rees said the Government

was ploneering with its scheme, and it was inevitable that it would take some time and debate to get the balance right. "We slways recognized that we had to be open minded in the committee stage and pro-visions were subjected to a blast of criticism", he said.

Mr Walter Goldsmith, director general of the Institute of Directors, broadly welcomed the changes, but said he was disappointed that no move had been made to broaden the types of business which could qualify. The Government should have allowed investors to receive fees as non-executive directors as this was a key way of bring-ing in proven business ex-pertise, he said.

Mr Michael Grylls, chairman of the Tory Small Business Bureau, also attacked the restrictions on types of busi-nesses able to qualify and said he would continue to fight for a broadening of the scheme. Mr William Poeton, of the

Union of Independent Com-panies said the changes were welcome but the necessity for them appeared to indicate amateurism in the initial drafting of the Bill.

Helping small businesses

Warning from BP on capital spending

day that continuing heavy losses in most of its oil pro-ducts markets could lead to further rationalization of these businesses. The group said that it was reviewing its oil trading activities and the planned level of capital spending in those

BP is also calling on the Govbetween officials of the European Commission and Japanese trade experts, Mr Suzuki said that the issue was primarily severe disadvantage to its com-The warning came with BP's

first quarter figures which showed a drop in net income from £550m to £395m mainly from £550m to £395m mainly because of continuing heavy losses in these downstream activities. The figures were, however, slightly better than the market had been expecting. Without the vague rumours of a cash raising move materializing, the shares ended 4p ahead at 2740.

British Petroleum said yester- drop in profits. Taking into account the need to replace oil stocks with higher priced supplies, BP's drop in current cost earnings was even more pro-nounced with net income shrink nounced with net income surjusting from £150m to only £10m.

Despite higher production from its Alaskan and North Sea crude oil production, this was largely offset by a more-than-doubled tax bill. BP com-

> becoming progressively worse with spot crude discounts The chief support for BP con-tinues to come from its United States Sohio subsidiary which increased its contribution from £135m to £175m in the first quarter. Chemicals, however, continue to be a major drain on

plained yesterday that with the new supplementary petroleum duty in the United Kingdom the marginal tax rate on its Fortles production was now ever 100 per cent, and the situation is to unveil

staff cuts By Bill Johnstone The management of ICL will oday disclose to its staff unions the group with a first quarter operating loss of 136m excluding Sohio and rationalizations are planned for this area of the company's plans to reduce the workforce substantially. the workforce substantially.
Union representatives in London will be told of the company's financial condition and the need to shed labour.
The cuts, although expected, are being announced less than one month after the appointment of Mr. Robert Wilmot as the new managing director and the group's operations as well. Financial Editor, page 19:

EEC to penalize steel undercutting

From Michael Hornsby, Brussels, June 4

powers to fine companies up to 1 per cent of their annual turnover. The sanctions would also apply to independent traders who sold steel theaply

of the new pricing rules would of the new pricing rules would be scrutinized by the commission to see if they were using state aid for purposes other than restructuring. If so, the commission could withdraw approval for such aid.

The price measures will form part of the new regime which will govern the steel market

system of compulsory produc-tion quotes expires.

The aim is to push prices up by 15-20 per cent to bring them

European Community industry ministers today authorized:

the European Commission to impose severe penalties on steel companies which self their products at less than published prices.

Viscount Etienne Davignon, the EEC Industry Minister, said that Brussels had been given powers to fine companies up to 1 per cent of their annual turnover. The sanctions would also annly to independent

This had been proposed by the European Commission because of the refusal of Kloeckner Werke, the big West German steel company, to go along with a system of voluntary quotas accepted by In the case of plates, heavy sections and wire rod, which account for about 30 per cent of finished products, the monisters agreed to the voluntary arrangements which steel manuarrangements which which which which which was a steel whic arrangements which steel manu-facturers have promised to observe after June 30.

Despite a strong appeal before the meeting from Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West Ger-man Chancellor, member states made little progress towards to be made public next Monday, agreement on phasing out all was made with the personal state aid to the steel industry. intervention of Mrs Thatcher.

Sterling's strength in Europe remains the key

Pound's fall brings little joy

By Business News Staff

Sterling's slide against the dollar will ... provide a useful boost to companies who have fought to retain export markets. But the prospects for a substantial rise in demand are remote:
Although industry has been suffering has now been minimized.

from the effects of Sterling's strength in overseas markers, which has been an important factor in cutting profitability, its strength against major European curren-

cies is more significant.

The Confederation of British Industry, which has been particularly outspoken on sterling's high value, said that industry expected no substantial improvement in the interest. "Overall demand is still depressed and

world markets intensely competitive. However, exports have been holding up remarkably well and the lower pound rate should ease the position of those companies who have been hanging on to overseas business with little or no profit", said the employers organization.
But business leaders are anxious that
the rate against the dollar should be held
at around \$2 and that there should not be

at around 32 and that there should not on a return to higher interest rates.

The pound's downward slide has put pressure on the British National Oil Corporation to cut North Sea oil prices. North Sea operators with refining interests are keen to see prices drop from the \$39.25 a barrel reference level, particularly as the spot price for high quality North Sea crude is down to \$33 or \$34 a barrel. But operators without refining activities would be happy to have price levels maintained and there is understood to be considerable conflict inside those consortial which represent both shades. consortia which represent both shades

Government ministers have also expressed differing views, although the fall in sterling's value will aid the argument that North Sea prices should follow market trends and that the loss of tax revenue

For every 51 a barrel fall in the price of oil, the Government loses about £200m a year in income. Advocates of further pound's value against the dollar is already providing the Exchequer with an additional £500m this year and that a \$2 m barrel drop will have little impact.

oarrel drop will have little impact.
One oil industry observer said yesterday: "It depends how much the Chaocelior regards the extra revenue as a windfall: However, if prices are not reduced, he could be caught by the law of diminishing returns as customers seek cheaper supplies elsewhere."

The BNOC's quarterly review of prices is scheduled for. July 1 but it may be forced to make a decision earlier, BNOC's crude prices are closely tied to those of

the North African producers who are themselves more likely to cut their rates after this week's decision by Mexico to slash S4 a barrel off prices.

The weak pound's boost to British industry was quickly obsorbed by the market yesterday as share prices roared ahead

to push the FT Index up 8.9 to 553.6. Stocks to benefit were exporters and those with high dollar earnings, particularly insurance brokers. Equities with big United States interests came in for heavy buying and shares such as Glaxo, up 8p to 364p; Unilever, higher by 11p to 571p and GEC, better by 12p to 698p, all raced shead. Brokers Willis Faber jumped 25p to 355p and CE Heath 19p to 271p. But worries about higher interest rates and inflation, produced losses of up to 12 in government securities.

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BL was the only big British motor manufacturer to greet the pound's fall against the dollar with any great degree of enthusiasm. The general feeling in the industry was that there was still no evidence that the pound was losing value against European currencies.

BL said the news would be a particular relief for Jaguar, which exports 25 percent of its production to the United States. But Metro sales in Europe remain unaffected.

Ford said: "This downward movement is largely based on the oil glut, and we do not believe it is a long term thing. We think sterking will remain a high value currency on the basis of North Sea oil. We would have to be convinced over a much longer period before we could say it would affect our export opportunities".

The pound's strength has long been one of the main complaints of British motor manufacturers and was cited this week as one of the main reasons for Talbot UK's pre-tax loss of more than £75m. BL is losing £1.5m a day, and recently halted TR7 production and is switching Rover production to Cowley.

ICI Britain's largest aroun which had

ICI, Britain's largest group, which has seen profits tumble over the past year, cautiously welcomed the fall in sterling. cautiously welcomed the fall in sterling. A spokesman for the company said last night: "The effect of the fall is likely to be helpful but will be neutralized by the higher cost we will have to pay for some of our raw materials which have to be paid, or are calculated in dollars. A fall in European currencies is more significant because it will help our exports."

Bankers welcome strong dollar

From Frank Vogi, Lausanne, June 4

An era of strong US dollar is to that of other industrial becoming firmly established and leading. United States international bankers are confident about the dollar and indeed of the dollar's sustained posi-

The American authorities are unlikely to intervene on a big scale in the currency markets to arrest the rapid advance of the dollar. There appears to have been no official British re-quest to the United States to take joint action in the markets to secure a stronger pound in terms of the dollar.

High American interest rates, as well as recent international oil price developments, account to some extent for the strength of the dollar. But bankers note that there is increasing inter-national confidence in America's economic outlook relative

problems has been evident at the International Monetary Coninterest rates. ference here, which brings to-gether the chief executives of the roughly 100 largest banks in the world. Numerous central bank governers are also attending this meeting, including the two top officials from the

United States, Mr Paul Volcker, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, and Mr Anthony Solo-mon, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. A Swiss banker said he ex-pected the dollar to appreciate still further, though not much more so before-stabilizing at its high level. He did not believe

that the dollar would weaken significantly if there was a moderate decline in United States interest rates in coming mouths. Bankers do not expect a substantial fall in American

One European banker said that the long period of dollar weakness produced consistent currency market crises, with the evolution of a multi-currency reserves system. A period now of dollar strength could produce a more orderly and calmer world currency system, the banker suggested.

Saudi Arabia has vast dollar holdings and Mr Abdul Aziz Alquraishi, governor of the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency certainly appeared happy here at the rapid inhappy here at the rapid in-crease in value of these assets.

the new managing director and Mr. Christopher Laidlaw as the Republic Steel Services.

Both Penn General Agencies and Shippers were subsidiaries of PennCorp Financial. The partnership, which was set up last year, is paying \$79m for Penn General Agencies and \$13.5m for Bankers and Shippers, a total of \$42.5m.

Republic Hogg Robinson will Republic Hogg Robinson.

Mr. Christopher Laidlaw as the new chairman.

The Sperry Corporation, which was at the forefront of discussions with ICL about a joint venture, predicted three weeks ago that at least 3,000 jobs would need to be shed at ICL for it to survive.

Further predictions by Sperry suggested that ICL would need millions of dollars as fresh capital to make it viable.

The Government has already provided a guarantee to the company for a £200m loan over

company for a L2tom loan over the next two years.

Last year the company shed 2,500 of its workforce, closing its factory at Winsford.

The rescue by the Government of ICL was not designed to protect all the jobs at the company. Company.

On the day of their appointment at the beginning of last month, the new managing direc-

tor and chairman stressed that they could not guarantee jobs. Their brief from the Govern-ment is to make the company commercially viable. The decision to back the all-ing computer company whose

ing computer company, whose half-yearly results are expected to be made public next Monday,

Hogg Robinson expands **American interests**

Hogg Robinson, one of Brinain's leading insurance brokers, has expanded its interests in the United States by acquiring an indirect stake in two American insurance brokers.

The companies are Penn General Agencies, of California, and Rankers and Shippers

General Agencies, of California, and Bankers and Shippers Insurance Company, of New York. The stake has been bought through a subsidiary of Republic Hogg Robinson, a parmership between Hogg Robinson North America and Republic Steel Services.

finance the purchases by bank borrowings of \$21m and by its parmers providing \$10.75m cash each. The parmers and their parent companies are not guarantors to the banks

Penn General Agencies has 22 offices throughout the United States, although its head-quarters is in Los Angeles. It

places property, casualty, marine and aviation insurance. Revenues last year were \$24m and pretax profits \$2.39m. Bankers and Shippers is based in North Carolina and is a leading firm in truck in-surance. It is licensed to under-write business in every state of

Oil tax 'not hindering exploration

By Edward Townsend Senior Department of Energy officials assured MPs yesterday that the Government did not consciously use taxation as part of its North Sea oil depletion

policy.
Mr David Jones, deputy secretary at the department, told the all-party select committee on energy that present taxes on oil corepanies were not discouraging investment or exploration.

The aim is to strike a balance between getting an economic reut for the nation and not reaching the point where it would hinder exploration; and the Government thinks that it

has got the balance about The committee was told that 79 blocks have been awarded in the latest North Sea licensing round and the department had commitments from companies to drill 135 wells with the possibility of a further 40. The commitments represented a doubling of the number of proposed wells per block compared with the last licensing

In support of the department's view, the Treasury said in a memorandum to the committee: "The objective of the North Sea tax system is to raise revenue in a way which shares the benefits of North Sea oil between the companies and the community at large. The North Sea tax system has not been designed to influence depletion rates.

It added that in 1981/82 North Sea revenues were expec-ted to account for about 8 per. cent of total central government, revenues. Income from the North Sea, at 1979/80 prices, is forecast to rise from £4,500m in 1981/82 to £5,250m in 1983/84.

LEIGH INTERESTS

Improved Results

	1980/81	1979/80
	£'000	£'000
Turnover	21,160	21,202
Pre-tax profits before charging associated companies	1,348	1,300
Associated companies	(198)	(198)
Profit before tax	1,150	1,102
Profit after tax	891	802
Extraordinary profit	44	
Dividends: pershare	5.63p	5.0p
paid and proposed	450	389
Earnings per share	11.6p	10.6p

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PRICE CHANGES

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ath CE	18p to 271p	Sedgwick	13p to 144p
isky Oil	20p to 700p	Stand Chart	20p to 629p
ilips Lamps	23p to: 475p	Sun Alliance	18p to 832p
ckitt & Col	16p to 274p	Willis Faber	22p to 355p
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BP blamed depressed markets for oil and chemical products in the UK and Europe for the

out of stock.

Companies found in breach out of stock.

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efficiency and accidents.

problem drinkers.

Secret, and not so secret, drinking in Britain's factories could be costing industry hundreds

of millions of pounds a year through reduced-

Management and trade unions are now being urged to take a much firmer grip on the

As a first step, the Health and Safety Execu-

tive yesterday published a guidance paper endorsed by four Secretaries of State, including Mr James Prior, the Employment Secretary.

This Ministerial quartet estimates that, if the

impact on family and friends is taken into account, as many as one in 25 of the population of England and Wales have severe alcohol related problems. The proportion is higher in

The executive's guidance paper is designed

to stimulate discussion among trade unionists and managers on how workers can be tempted away from the bottle. It suggests that the workplace is an excellent point from which problem drinkers can be guided on to the path of righteousness and sobriety.

Problem drinkers, says the executive are those people whose consumption of alcohol

Health paper aims to dry out industry How drinkers drain profits

causes medical or social harm or affects their standard of work.

Under existing conventions most managers tend to deal with problem drinkers either by turning a blind eye or by sarking the offender. Both courses: serve only to exacerbate the problems of the company and the drinker.

The health executive is urging employers and unions to draw up and implement policies designed to encourage problem drinkers to each existence and treatment in order to play seek assistance and treatment in order to play a full and useful role in their organizations. These policies should start in the boardroom (where there is often a drinks cabinet), and

consequences of excessive drinking.

But, before managers and shop stewards rush off for a crash course in how to spot a problem drinker and develop their own course of treatment, the executive's paper advocates caution. The tell-tale signs—impaired concentration, tremor, and initability—should only he used as indications. Proper diagnosis, it says, should be made by qualified people.

spread down the line to the shop floor.

The paper also advocates a programme of education on the effects of alcohol so that workers and managers are aware of the consequences of excessive drinking.

Builders' merchants: quarries and fuel contractors Lindon Road · Brownhills · Walsall · West Midlands WS87BB

EEC study on Italy's import levy

to send a special mission is to send a special mission to Rome today to investigate Italy's mandatory import deposit scheme introduced last week to cut back the country's large payments deficit.

It is thought that the com-

large payments deficit.

It is thought that the commission officials will try to persuade the Italians to exempt some steel products and most agricultural imports from the scheme which obliges Italian importers to deposit the equivalent of 30 per cent of the value of the goods in a non-interest account at the central interest account at the central bank for three months.

Mr Beniamino Andreatta, the Italian Treasury Minister, discussed the measures in Brussels with Mr François Xavier Ortoli, the European commissioner responsible for financial affairs. It is understood that the It is understood that the Italians might be sympathetic to exempting foods from the import deposit regulations, as this would help to hold down inflation, but are unwilling to make a similar concession on

Oil prices drop

Consumer prices for oil products sold inside the Europroducts sold inside the Ento-pean Community dropped slightly at the end of May, but at the same time both prices for imported oil and Rotterdam spot prices steadied. The increase in consumer

tions which will be the bulk of the customers for this service have indicated that they would be willing to assist in the finprices since December 1978 to the week ending May 25 fell to 92 per cent from 93 per cent the week before EEC consumer Rooftop lasers and microwave radio links for carrying data and speech will be among the items offered on the service, prices for oil have been drop-ping steadily since the begin-ning of April.

Compensation sought

Kawasaki Heavy Industries
Ltd has asked Iraq for compen-sation on losses arising from
construction delays to cement plants in Iran due to the Gulf

Kawasaki has not disclosed the amount of compensation asked, but its financial state-ment for the 1980 year ended March 31 shows the company had a special loss of 5,000m yen (about £10.8m) in con-nexion with the plant construction.

Steel firm's loss

Spain's only privately owned integrated steel firm, Altos Hornos de Vizcaya SA (AHV), lost a record 10,940m Pesetas (about £53.5m) in 1980. Last month six leading Spanish banks agreed to

reschedule commercial debts worth almost 16,000m Pesetas (about £85.6m) contracted by AHV, which is 27 per cent owned by US Steel Corporation.

Labour laws eased

China is to liberalize labour laws for foreign investors in its three special economic zones in Southern Guangdong Province. Foreign investors will have more power to set wages and dismiss workers employed in joint-venture or compensatory trade arrangements.

Coal-fired car

General Motors Corporation of America, while making clear that it does not plan to build vehicles that burn coal, has demonstrated two cars capable of running at least short distances on powdered coal.

Malaya steel plant Nippon Steel Corporation is negotiating with the Malaysian Government for the construc-tion of a \$360m (about £184m) reduction plant at Kuala Treng-ganu on the east coast of Malaya.

Pipeline project

Canada's National Energy Board has approved the con-Struction by Trans Mountain Oil Pipeline Limited of a pipeline from the United States-Canadian border to Edmonton,

West German benefits The West German Parliament has approved the Government's plans for social and unemploy-

ment benefits by passing the labour ministry's DM54,000m (about £11,157m) budget. Short-time working

Agla-Gevacrt AG is consider-

ing the introduction of short-time working for about 1,000 of its 5,000 workforce at Leverkusen and Muelheim plants in West Germany. India refinery venture A new oil refinery, designed the Soviet Union to process

120,000 barrels of crude a day, will be partially commissioned in India's northern Mathura city next October.

Steel output up West German crude steel production in May rose 10.7 per cent to 3.51 million tons from April. Pig iron production increased 9.8 per cent to 2.78 million tons.

Car sales drop

A total of 15,197 new cars were registered in Sweden in May, down 4,062 a year ago, the Swedish motor association reported.

Insolvency record A total 680 West German companies were declared insolvent in March, the highest for any single month, the Federal Statistics Office said yesterday.

Rising dollar will boost Chancellor's oil take

Minimal intervention to back pound Consequences of harmonizing

While keeping a close watch on the behaviour of sterling in foreign exchange markets because of its implications for markets occause or as implications for our international competitiveness and inflation rate, the Government has stuck rigidly to a policy of minimal intervention in the market.

Such intervention as there has been has been relatively minor, with the sole object of smoothing out the wilder fluctuations in rates and preserving an orderly

The decision not to pursue an exchange rate target or to intervene heavily to resist a trend, in either direction, is based on two main thoughts.

First, exchange rate targets and intervention are considered to be incompatible with the pursuit of domestic money supply with the pursuit of domestic honey supply targets. It is felt that the latter must be pursued independently, with the external price of sterling left to find its own level. Second, one of the main lessons the authorities learned from the Sixties and early Seventies is that official intervention to resist a market trend seldom works. Quite simply, market forces are too strong. On the face of it, the United Kingdom looks reasonably placed in terms of gold and foreign exchange holdings to defend the pound if it chose to do so. At the end of May, reserves stood at \$26,487m (equivalent at the time to £12,793m).

On the other hand, the United Kingdom Government and public sector still one Government and public sector still owe \$15,634m to overseas lenders, not really all that substantial when one thinks what

A secondary telecommunica-tions network costing £17m over

the next three years, to be funded in part by special premiums paid by users, is to be provided by British Telecom for businesses in London.

Banks and financial institu-

which is expected to begin in

Most of the new network will

use conventional cabling, but rooftop microwave links will be

Forecast

of growth

in vending

Although substantial growth

vending industry lies ahead, increasing competition and

some manufacturing over-capacity is cutting profit

margins.

This is the conclusion of a report on the industry published yesterday by ICC Business Ratios, which bases its forecasts of further growth on changes in eating habits, the impact of microprocessors and the forthcoming introduction of 20p and £1 coins.

Even during the recession companies have turned to automatic vending to reduce catering costs, the report says.

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The performance of 60 companies over a three-year period to the middle of last year was

to the middle of last year was monitored in the survey. This showed a sales rise of 81 per cent, with 15 companies achieving an annual sales growth of 30 per cent or more. But profits grew less spectacularly at 44 per cent. Average profit margins slackened from 3.6 per cent to 3.2 per cent and return on capital employed dipped from 27.9 per cent to 21.4 per cent.

BUSINESS EXHIBITION

More than 40,000 people are expected to attend the fifth Business to Business Exhibition which opens this Sunday and runs for four days. The exhibition is being jointly sponsored by The Times and The Sunday Times.

Doors open 10 am although the exhibition will be officially opened by Mr Gerald Long, the Times Newspapers manag-ing director, at 11.30 on Sunday

morning.

The exhibition will cover every aspect of business from advertising agencies to insurance. About 500 companies

booked more than 700 stands. Admission is £2 payable at the

the £500m-sales automatic

September

By John Whitmore and David Blake could happen in the face of really sustained pressure on the pound.

One only has to look, for instance, at the large non-resident holdings of sterling

monetary assets that have been built up once again over recent years. Figures for overseas holdings of marketable United Kingdom public sector debt are not readily available because quite a lot of these holdings are hidden behind nominee holdings. But last December's annual Bank of England attempt to identify holders of the National Debt pur overseas holdings at rather more than £6,000m nominal stock. monetary assets that have been built up

stock.

In addition, there are large overseas holdings of sterling bank deposits in the United Kingdom. These stood at almost £11,500m at the end of 1980, having doubled in just two years. Non-residents also hold sterling deposits in financial centres outside the United Kingdom.

It is no longer just what overseas

centres outside the United Kingdom.

It is no longer just what overseas investors may decide to do with their money that the authorities have to consider, however. Now that exchange controls have been dismantled, the United Kingdom residents too are free to switch their money out of sterling into overseas

money out of stering into oversess currency.

Resident holdings of foreign currency in London in fact have been building up quite fast recently, rising from £5,500m last autumn to just over £8,000m by this spring—though part of this spring's rise will reflect the rise in the value of the foreign currencies held rather than further large erale switching out of the pound. large-scale switching out of the pound.

ning on information technology, chaired by Mr Timothy Bevan, chairman of Barclays Bank.

Barclays Merchant Bank is

also in a consortium with British Petroleum and Cable &

Wireless, which plans to operate a private data network similar to that of British

Details of the premiums were

not disclosed. But, along with

tutions, they will help reduce

the drain on British Telecom's

This year's capital investment programme will cost £1,900m. In the past year £20m has been spent in improving the service on the ordinary public network in the londer area.

any financial assistance by the banks or financial insti-

investment capital.

Telecom.

the EEC laws on trademarks The drop in the value of the pound is likely to bring a bonus to the Chancellor of the Exchequer. North See oil prices, like all prices for oil, are quoted in dollars so the sterling price of oil increases whenever the pound goes down against the United States currency. Over the past few months the pound has fallen by more than 17 per cent against the dollar. This is considerably more than the cut of ground onsiderably more than the cut of ground \$4, or roughly 11 per cent, which is expected shortly in the price for North Sea oil in dollar terms. The sterling price of oil is thus inlikely to fall below the figure used in making Budget calculations

over the next few months, however, a prolonged period of weakness in oil prices could lead to one of the Government's prime sources of revenue coming under

This year the Chancellor is expected to receive £5.880m from total North Sea revenues. He introduced a special new tax in his Budger which is expected to account for £1,000m of his receipts. The Govern-ment forecasts of revenue are based on the assumption that the dollar price of

oil will continue to rise.

The net result of a drop in the value of the pound against the dollar will be to increase prices for petrol and other oil products on sale in the United Kingdom, Much of the benefit of this will go to the Chancellor because the United Kingdom is now self-sufficient in oil. The result is converted to an increase in indirect taxes. equivalent to an increase in indirect taxes

Investment plea on services

An urgent review of Britain's poor performance in service industries has been urged by Mr Geoffrey Chandler, Director-General of the National Economic Development Council, in an internal memorandum

Productivity in the United Kingdom service sector has been weaker than that of Britain's continental competitors, says Mr Chandler, and he suggests measures to facilitate the shift of resources into services. He says the NEDC should discuss whether existing mechanisms are adequate to ensure proper use of resources.

The memorandum states:
Apart from North Sea oil services have been the fastest growing major activity in the last 20 years, and have been the principal source of addi-tional employement in the United Kingdom.

Mr Chandler points out that increases in service employment have not absorbed redundancies and job losses in manufacturing industry. Because of differences in type of work, skill require-ments and location, any con-tinuing shift towards services in future is likely to be accom-panied by increasing levels of structural unemployment.

marks becoming merely generic Sir, A short while ago the EEC Commission published the text of a draft directive and regulaand descriptive; and that doubt-less is why the Commission has received no objections to it from any of the interests it has consulted.

Mr Neville March They want to avoid popular

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

or a drait orective and regula-tion to harmonize the Common Marker laws on trademarks. Among the many provisions of purely legal or commercial interest there is one to which attention should be drawn in literary circles, who might be forgiven for imagining that this law was quite unconcerned with nem. Publishers of dictionaries

Importance of marketing customer requirements, it must also possess the necessary mar-kering skills to achieve this.

From Mr Peter B. Blood
Sir, The textile industry's
failure to understand the vital failure in inderstand the vital importance of marketing is highlighted by Mr Edward Pond in his letter (June-1). It reminded me forcibly of a visit I made some mooths ago to a large textile company in Lancashire. This company had no marketing or sales plan and I was told that if they had a corporate plan the chairman had Despite my general concern. I am pleased to report that recent winners of our National Marketing Awards have included two companies involved in the textile industry—Dorma and Coloroll, These companies. and Coloroll. These companies demonstrated that, by a combination of design skill and successfully applied marketing techniques, they were able to increase their company profits dramatically. Why is it that so many firms still fail to understand the connexion between marketing ability and profitability? porate plan the chairman had "probably written it on the back of an envelope". Unfortu-nately, as research shows, the absence of marketing know-how

absence of marketing know-how is prevalent in more than one sector of business in the United Kingdom.
Young designers who take their skills abroad probably do so out of sheer frustration. I find that many young business students cannot understand why Yours faithfully, PETER B. BLOOD, Director General, Institute of Marketing, Moor Hall, so many senior British managers have still not grasped the fact that every bosiness must not only have as its central: activity the satisfaction of Berkshire, SL6 9QHL

The CEGB's reactor plans

From Dr I. M. H. Preston

Sir. Mr David Green, in his letter published on May 27, raises in a misleading way the question "Exactly what size of PWR has the CEGB in mind?".

United Kingdom design on the standard Westinghouse 3425MW (thermal) reactor supplying two turbine generators utilizing components proven on the well-developed 660MW(e) machines already in congration in the united Kingdom (eg electrical generators and low pressure turbines). This arrangement produces an output of 1180MW(e) gross and approximately 1120MW(e) net. The CEGB's intention is that as much proven equipment as practicable shall be used in the

first PWR constructed in the United Kingdom, Westinghouse already has in operation more than ten reactor units capable of producing around 1100MW(e) Yours faithfully, L.M. F. PRESTON, and has many more on order for commissioning before the Director-General, Generation Development and first United Kingdom reactor. Construction Division, Central Electricity Generating The recent performance of this generation of plant has not been Board, Barnwood, Gloucester GL4 7RS. indifferent as suggested.

We therefore based the

Dictionary editors suffer enough as it is from pressures by special interests to censor unfavourable definitions. It would be very dangerous to add yet another powerful group to their number Writters and consulted.

The rule is pernicious, however, on two grounds. First, trademark law should not overspill into fields outside its proper area of concern (comtheir number. Writers and scholars owe no particular duty to trademark holders and such a duty should not now be introduced by legislation. petition between traders). Sec-

ond, and even more important, freedom of the press requires Publishers of dictionaries, encyclopaedias and similar works would be compelled by law to accompany "any reproduction of a trademark" with an indication of its trademark status (article 4 of the directive, article 9 of the regulation).

The interest of trademark owners in such a rule is clear.

European Law Centre, London WCIA 2RL Computer

would have to change its entry for "caterpillar tractor" in

spite of the non-trademark origin of that phrase.

Yours faithfully, NEVILLE MARCH HUNNINGS.

Common Market Law Reports,

From Mr Stanley Alderson Sir, Your report, "Compater fraud is booming" (June 1) which referred to the important study made by Dr Kenneth Wong, of BIS Applied Systems commented. "The financial institutions are the commented." stitutions are becoming increasingly reluctant to make such frauds public and, although the culprit is usually [sic] dismissed from his job, charges are rarely preferred and on some occasions the thief has been provided with a reference to enable him to get another job." In other words, certain of our stitutions are becoming increase other words, certain of our financial institutions do not scruple to be accessories after the facts of raud, and are some-times ready and covert accom-plices to its further perpetra-

tion.

If our financial institutions are to regain public confidence, there must be legislation on the lines proposed by Dr Wong to compel notification of computer fraud to the appropriate authorities, ie the Fraud Squad at New Scotland Yard.

STANLEY ALDERSON,
7 Highfield Avenue,
Lambridge, CB4 2AJ.
June 1.

Perrier launch of a UF Eau

From Mr P. A. Holloway Sir. When Perrier launch their piloted hot air balloon, do they intend to follow their current advertising campaign by calling it "U F Fau "?

P. A. HOLLOWAY,

104 Rye Road,

Hoddesdon,

roottop microwave links will be used where underground circuits are not available. Sir George Jefferson, chairman of British Telecom, outlining the system yesterday, said: "Firms who want to avail themselves of these premium in the London area. The corporation claims that among other improvements the response time to an application for an international circuit has George Jefferson: not trying to encourage queue been cut from 18 months to 13 weeks and that for a telex

facilities will be able to get connected to the new network was the most economic method Sir George denied that British Telecom was creating a system which encouraged queue jumpconnected in September and by September 1982 seven other principal areas in inner London

£17m commercial telecoms

network planned for London

By Bill Johnstone

ing by those prepared to pay extra for connexion to the will be linked.

Plans for the new system have been the result of discussions with the City Liaison Committee and its standing committee on policy and planses. Which would be run by Mr Peter Benton, the deputy chairman designate of British Telecom and would control all the activities of any subsidiaries set up by British Telecom. network. British Telecom emphasized that the scheme would be paid for largely by users and the premium system of payment

from 18 months to five months. At the beginning of the week to adopt.
The City of London will be the corporation announced board changes and the forma-tion of a new organization called British Telecom Enter-prises, which would be run by Mr Peter Benton, the deputy

Lifeline for self-employed

Insurance scheme to ease jury service

are called on to attend go on for weeks or even months have been thrown an insurance life-

It comes from the London-based Economic Insurance Company, British subsidiary of the French owned L'alsacienne Group, which normally writes average national wage.

life, motor, household and Jurors also get tr
other traditional forms of allowances, including ab

Mr John Ludlow, their accident underwriter, decided to offer insurance against loss of income or additional expenses arising from jury service after a recent fraud case in London ran for 137 days.

London ran for 137 days.

Most jurors, normally called for about a fortnight of court hearings, find their cases last only a few days, but some can run for much longer, Mr Ludlow pointed out.

As anybody who lately has been called for jury service will know, the cost of maintaining Britain's system of justice is often borne to a considerable extent by the 12 good people and true, or more often their employers.

dipped from 27.9 per cent to 21.4 per cent.

One problem for vending machine manufacturers is that the widespread distribution of machines has created a market for replacements, with competition emerging from refurbishers of old machines. This has lead some manufacturers to turn to machine distribution and operation, including marketing of the food and drinks dispensed, to increase trade.

But new microelectronic techniques are increasing the flexibility of vending machines, enabling a greater product range to be dispensed.

The Automatic Vending Industry: ICC Business Ratios, 81 City Road, London EC1Y 1BD; £80. employers.

The self-employed in particular can be hard-hit and the removal of key executives from companies can lead to difficulties which bring little real recompense under the

Jurors who can suffer finan-expenses rules operated by the cially when court cases they courts,

Court allowances for financial sses are about £15 for a full day's jury service or half that for four hours or less. Any-body sitting on a jury for more than ten days can, at a court's discretion, get up to about £30-a day, roughly in line with the

Jurors also get travelling allowances, including about 10p a mile for the use of a car. Or the court will pay bus or secon class rail fares. There are also subsistence allowances intended subsistence anowances intended to meet extra cost of meals and other incidental expenses that run daily from about £1 for a jury attendance of less than five hours to about twice that for a period not exceeding 10

The self-employed running a one-man business may not only find that earnings are lost but that longer-term the business

Accountants among pro-fessional people have already emerged as buyers of the jury service insurance.

It is the first time jury service cover of this kind, which offers insurance of up to 200 per cent of income with no deductions for the expenses paid by the courts, has been offered in this form, according to Mr Ludlow.

Business appointments

Reed finance director

Mr K J Morton, currently treasurer of Reed Infernational, has been appointed finance director from July 1. He will become a member of the executive committee. Mr J. D. Cormie will relinquish responsibility as finance director and be appointed chief executive of the building and home product area. He will remain a member of the executive committee. Mr G. S. G. Witherington will continue as deputy chairman and as a member of the executive committee of the company, but will relinquish his executive responsibilities for the building and home improvement product area. He will retire next April.

Mr Alan M. Edis has joined the Supra Group board as commer-cial director. Mr G. W. D. Heslett and Mr M. C. S. Morgan have been made directors of Kler International. Mr M. C. S. Morgan has resigned as a director of French Kler Construction.

Mr C. M. Winter, deputy managing director of the Royal Bank of Scotland, has been appointed to the board of the Royal Bank of Scotland Group. Mr P. J. D'Angelo, president and chairman of Noonan, Astley &

Pearce of New York, has been appointed to the main board of Peat Group, based in London.

Mr W. J. M. Bradbury has become sales and marketing director of Firth Brown.

The Duchess of Devonshire has been appointed a non-executive director of the housing division of Tarmac.

Mr Michael D. Harvey has been made a director of Steinberg Group and Mr Alan J. Devine has resigned as a group director.

Mr Mack Samuels managing Mr Mark Samuels, managing director of P-E Computer Services, has been appointed to the board of P-E International.

of P-E International.

Mr Peter Wright has been appointed the United Kingdom marketing director of van Rietschoten and Houwens, the Netherlands based electrical/electronics group. Mr Bill Davis, company secretary and financial controller, and Mr Soren Aarup become general managers and alternate directors of PRIVATbanken, London.

Mr J. Campbell McGarvie is the new managing director of Control Dataset.

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BP's downstream wounds

After the recent Shell figures spotlighting . £77m mostly due to good progress from the intense pressure oil majors were under from weak product markets, there was plenty of trepidation about BP's first-quarter results. In the event, ner income, down from £505m in the opening three months last year to £395m, was better than expected and the shares edged 4p higher to 374p.

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But there is little comfort in the figures. Sohio continues to be one of the main props with the dollar's strength helping to boost its contribution by £40m to £175m. The North Sea was also roughly the same as the final quarter last year with a drawdown of stocks in the period offsetting the higher tax take. Chemical losses outside the United States were also lower at £36m indicating that Shell may have been right in suggesting that last year's dramatic slump had at least stabilized. And finally BP has also benefited to the tune of perhaps £25m on its dollar currency holdings.

After taking all that into account BP is plainly still making hideous losses in its downstream markets. Although BP has marginally improved its segmental profits break-down it is only possible to guess at the scale of these losses but assuming £300m plus of stock profits in the current cost drop from £150m to £10m losses must be running at well over £100m in the United Kingdom and Europe.

Little wonder then that BP is now urging

the Government to cut the price of North Sea oil to ease the pressure on product margins. Any change could dramatically alter the downstream returns in the ensuing quarters but rather belatedly BP is now talking of rationalizations in some product areas, and perhaps even in refineries as well. The full-year outturn will also be heavily influenced by the strength of the dollar, the currency in which its production is sold, but it looks as though it will do well to top £900m against last year's £1,435m. Certainly, the trading picture does not suggest any equity raising move as has been rumoured, however much the balance sheet -where almost all the cash is tied up in Sohio and not available elsewhere in the group—provides an illusory financial strength particularly when the businesses outside the United States will be in a cash deficit this year.

Any idea that the pound would find investment support around the \$2 level-were quickly shattered yesterday marning, as the rate fell back below the \$1.95 mark The authorities appeared to be taking an extremely relaxed view, however, and have clearly decided that any serious attempt at intervention would be pointless. None the less, the events of the past couple of days have put a new complexion on the future. The United Kingdom may have eschewed interest rate changes out of purely foreign exchange considerations for the past couple of years, and may continue to do so. But the fact remains that the worsening of inflation-ary expectations must have implications for domestic interest rates and Government, strategy, as the gilt market was quick to latch on to yesterday with falls of £2 across the board. Elsewhere on the foreign exchange markets, the failure of the Germans to take fresh action to defend the Deutsche DM2.41110 and nobody is betting where it

Beecham Back into

gear

The surge in Beecham's shares has been as much due to the group getting a licence for its Augmentin antibiotic as yesterday's good results. But any significant contribution from this new drug is probably three years away and whether Augmentin proves another winner on the scale of Amoxil only time will tell. But Beecham's confidence is undisguised and given the claims it is making for the drug there is every reason to think it will be an important

profit earner in the future.

Augmentin apart, the latest results showing pretax profits up from £137m to £151m despite £7m of adverse currency movements, suggest that Beecham is getting back into gear again after several sluggish years by its own standards. After financing costs, acquisitions—mainly Bovril—were a £500,000 drag on profits and the borrowings taken on to fund Bovril explain most of an £8.5m rise in interest charges to £10.4m;

But trading profits from both sides of the business have increased. Pharmaceuticals have made up some of the ground lost in previous years with profits up by £7m to

Ticar in the United States and Japan. Consumer products-up from £65m to £79mhave benefited from £61m less costs relating to Aquafresh, which is almost in profit in the United States, and a good performance from Jovan.

• Eagle Star is mounting a stout defence against Allianz, Its letter to shareholders argues against the tender offer on two grounds: that it is too cheap and that a close association with Allianz will restrict Eagle Star's future moves to the detriment of. shareholders, and that the advantages will all be Allianz's,

The defence is bolstered in the classic style by promising a 43 per cent increase in the dividend to 21.4p gross, Shareholders might wonder why a dividend, which on Eagle's admission was always well covered. could not have been raised carlier. On profits, Eagle Star is more reticent, merely stressing that the dividend increase should not be seen as a guide to this year's results.

But the main plank of Eagle Star's defence seems to be its net worth. Its conrvative estimate, after taking investment (including property) and the life business into account, is 450p a share, well-above the 290p tender offer and even further above last night's market price of 283p, up 4p.

Perhaps the crucial argument, however, over which way Eagle Star should be heading. The management evidently feels that a 30 per cent blocking stake would prevent the company from developing overseas business, especially where Allianz is also operating. There is also the fear that Eagle Star will come to be regarded as just an appendage of Allianz.

Northern Foods Help from

acquisitions

Northern Foods need not have worried about consumer spending after raising pretax profits by nearly a quarter to £30.6m last year. As figures from Sainsbury and Marks & Spencer (both Northern customers) showed the public has spent heavily on quality foods, and even in beer and milk Northern suffered only a trifling drop in sales volume,

But here the good news in the figures for the six months to March comes to an end. Once the contributions from the United States newcomer Bluebird, and from Dorset



Mr Nicholas Horsley, chairman of Northern

Foods in frozen pies at home are taken out of the reckoning, Northern made little progress. In beer and milk, price increases can protect margins but this is not the case elsewhere. Bluebird is also having a hard fight against onerous United States interest rates and the difficulties of the meat packing industry. So Northern did-well to produce interim pretax profits of £17.2m, around £1m more than outside estimates, against £14.8m after a fall in investment income (reflecting the sale of some gilt edged) and a rise in interest charges.

For the full year, Northern will probably: suffer even more from pressure on margins, and from the cost of rolling over the \$42.5m. borrowed to help pay for Bluebird. The group plans to lower the proportion of debt to shareholders' funds from 48 per cent to 38 per cent this year, and it is stepping up spending on new capacity from £20m this year to £30m next in a drive to extend to trade with Japan. market share.

The absence of a cash call was a relief, and the shares rose 7p to 172p yesterday. But earlier hopes of the group making around £35m this year against £30.6m now look a shade optimistic.

Business News staff report on the trade conflict between Europe and Japan

Can the flood be stemmed?

Have five years of talks aimed at stemming the flood of Japanese goods into Europe really ended in total failure or is the European Commission just

playing poker?
When Sir Roy Denman, the Commission's director of external relations, said on Tuesday that "the talks amount to pretty near zero ... " was he slamming the door on further discussions with Japan (and by implication preparing to replace cooperation by confromation) or was he simply hoping to shame the Japanese into concessions? Sir Roy's talks with Mr Kiyoak Kikuchi, of the Japanese foreign trade ministry, have been broken off prematurely, but Mr Zenko Suzuki, the Japanese Prime Minister, is the rovisit Brussels on June 15 and 16.

Mr Suzuki said in Tokyo yesterday

that the Japanese government would help to solve as smoothly as possible the problem of rising Japanese car exports to the EEC, though it was, he stressed, chiefly a matter for the in-

dustries concerned.

Is this a partial concession in the face of Sir Roy's outburst or simply another in what has become a long line of conciliatory, but ultimately empty, statements by the Japanese?

The Brussels-Tokyo talks demonstrate

very neatly one of the great weaknesses of the European Economic Community — its frequent inability to reconcile the common good (the good of the Community as a whole) with the self-interest of its individual member nations. Trade is one of the areas where there is supposed to be an overall EEC policy, rather than a number of policies con-

ducted by each of the member states. In practice, this has meant that the Commission in Brussels seeks a mandate to act on specific issues. But there have been serious problems in reaching a common policy on Japan.

The Commission and the member states agree that the growing imbalance

of trade between the Community and Japan is a serious problem. Over the past 12 months the Commission has advocated a "global" EEC strategy where it would be given powers by the member states to negociate a completely new trading relationship with Japan in the so called "sensitive" areas— industries such as cars, television tubes and certain machine tools.

would mean "trading in "

various protectionist agreements that exist between some member states and the Japanese in return for a temporary shielding of weaker European industries from the full force of Japanese competition. The Commission, which is always anxious to pay lip service to the concept of free trade, argues that the shielding should be instituted only to allow the industries in question to restructure themselves, in order to be

able to face up to Japanese competition. Undoubtedly, the most sensitive area at present is the car market, but here existing agreements limiting Japanese access to Europe highlight the Commis-sion's dilemma. The Japanese have become adept at playing one European nation off against another. By offering concessions here and there to individual countries they weaken the chances of the Community as a whole reaching sufficient practical consenopposed to pious statements of intent) to contain the Japapese threat.

In May the Council of Ministers called on the commission to discuss getting a Japanese commitment on subjecting a Japanese commitment on sub-jecting exports of cars to the EEC to measures "analogous" to those nego-tiated recently by the United States. They wanted a further undertaking that there would be no diversion of cars from the United States to the EEC. At the time Mr Cecil Parkinson, the British trade minister, said: "What we are saying to the Japanese is that there is no more room on the European marker for their motor cars."

These various points are being pressed by the Commission in talks with the Japanese that will culminate in the middle of this mouth, with Mr. Suzuki's visit, but apart from Mr Suzuki's very ambiguous statement yesterday the Japanese have given scarcely an inch.

They clearly sense that there is not enough cohesion between the member states of the EEC. The individual countries have pressed hard for bilateral agreements with Japan or have unilaterally imposed restrictions. Italy allows only a few thousand Japanese cars on to its market each year; in France the Japanese share is kept down to about 3 per cent; while in Britain Japanese car sales are limited by an agreement between the motor industries of the two countries.

TRADE BETWEEN THE EEC AND JAPAN (Converted into Sm)

imports from Japan 5,796 6,329 7,458 1978 Exports to Japan 1979 2,734

The apparent fall in EEC exports to Japan in 1980 is largely a result of the strength of sterling against the European unit of account last year. Source: Eurostat,

So when the Commission complains about Japanese inroads into the West German or Benelux car markets, the Japanese-as happened only last week -turn round and say that they cannot possibly negotiate a deal with the EEC as long as national agreements exist.
Moreover, they claim that countries like Denmark, Greece and the Irish Republic are keen to keep their markers open to Japanese cars.

So far, there is no sign that the member states are anywhere near resolving the differing interests of those countries with car industries which have an agreement with the Japanese, those with car industries that do not (Germany, Belgium and Holiand) and those with no car industries.

Cars are the principal and most visi-ble worry, but the problem of Europe's trade imbalance with Japan goes far wider and the Commission's difficulties in negotiating block to block agreements are aggravated by the fact that Japan can claim that Europe imposes more quantitative restrictions (a total of 70 by the various member states) on Japanese imports than Japan imposes on goods from Europe (27 in all).

That certainly looks bad. But the restrictions are in many cases anachro-nistic and of no commercial value (they apply, for example, to such things as meat, honey, umbrella parts, sacks,

natural cork and horses), while the EEC claims that the Japanese restrictions are of importance (applying for instance, to food stuffs and leather goods).

The dispute over quantitative restrictions is linked to another important part of EEC policy, which is to get better access to the Japanese market. Here again the Commission has a hard time proving its case, Japan's average across-the-board tariff is slightly lower than the EEC's, but the Commission argues that it conceals some high peaks covering sectors of interest to the Community.

These include dairy products, biscuits and confectionery, where the Japanese tariff is between 35 and 38 per cent and whisky (68 per cent). The EEC claims that its tariff is more homogeneous and therefore more liberal.

Another big bone of contention is n-tariff barriers to trade, where the EEC claims that abnormally strict Japanese regulations (on health and the environment, for example) keep out or obstruct competing EEC products such as pharmaceuticals, agricultural chemi-cals and electrical appliances. Three times over the past year. (November 25, 1980 and February 17

(November 25, 1980 and February 17 and May 19 this year) the Council of Ministers has issued statements on trade with Japan. The May one expressed "serious concern at the present state of trade between Japan and the Community and its likely future development" and said: "It is of special-importance and basid: "It is of special-importance." importance at the current juncture:
"— that the Community should emphasize once more to the Japanese

authorities its preoccupations over the level and excessive concentration of ducts."

If Sir Rov Denman's experience is

anything to go by-and he is the man who has to try to put flesh on to the bones of the policies outlined by the Council of Ministers and the Commission-then the EEC's pleas are falling

> Peter Norman and Malcolm Brown

How EEC countries are reacting to the Japanese threat

Britain's relations with Japan have reached a critical point-The Government, while under-lining its commitment to the principles of free trade, is equally wedded to a negotiated settlement through the EEC But the clamour from recession-bit industry for a much tougher line, including import courrols if necessary is rising. The motor cycle industry virtually disappeared under Japanese attack and industry

to-industry bilateral deals on cars, television sets and other consumer electronic goods are bending under the continuing strain. This year, Britain's trade eficit with Japan could reach-

Pressure being exerted by industrialists on the Govern-ment to take a much tougher line is embarrassing ministers acutely. Britain is already the main location for Japanese investment in Europe; and Nissan, Japan's leading motor manufacturer, will decide in the next few weeks whether or not to build a huge new plant

Although imports of cars from Japan fell (in value terms) by almost 4 per cent last year shipments of other goods rose supments of other goods rose-significantly. Imports of non-ferrous metals, for example, increased by more than 634 per cent to £59.5m last year, inorganic chemicals by 86.6 per cent and metalworking machinery by 64 per cent; while miscellaneous manufactures recorded a 55 per cent rise, with a value of £117.5m.

This is partly because the government has been keen to attract Japanese direct invest-

ment. It is perhaps interesting that the Belgian economics minis-try called in Nippon Steel to

When a country is subjected to a "trade shock"-and Japan has become expert at inflicting such shocks on most of us—then politicians become far more worried about the reactions of the domestic electorate (and such power groups as industrial associa-tions and trade unions) than they are about appearing to be good Europeans. This is why it has become easy for Japan to treat any EEC inwith urgency.

Large

countries, such as the United produce a feasibility study of the plans to merge the Cockerill and Hainault-Sambre

steel concerns.

But recently the large share of the Japanese in the Belgian car market has been causing alarm. Although the Japanese claim Although the Japanese claim that the Belgians' fears are largely unfounded because most Belgian car production is exported, they are likely to offer some sort of restraint deal, possibly when Mr Rokusuki Tanaka, Japan's minister for international trade and the durant prices. industry, visits Brussels later this month.

The Belgian government's fears were probably heightened by the recent closures of the Leyland assembly plant in Seneffe and Citroen's abrupt decision to close its assembly plant in Forest, Brussels. But it is the willingness of countries like Belgium to contemplate bilateral agreements which allows Japan to argue that it cannot become involved in pan-European agreements.

Trance is one of the more protectionist members of the EEC, as shown by its limitation of car imports from Japan to

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For instance, under "mono-mer", the book has: "A simple

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an effort to throw a little light on one of the more misunder-

stood areas of our industrial

Still, at least they are making

States, have been able to wrest commitments from the Japanese on problem areas like cars (Japan has reluctantly agreed to cut back on vehicle exports to America this year). The EEC has signally failed to get any pan-European agreements. Some European agreements. Some small concessions have been made to individual European member states in particular industries, but Japan uses such bilateral arrangements to argue that there is no case for global European-Japanese pacts.

It is instructive to look at the way the individual members—short of that ideal.

3 per cent of domestic registra-Commerce, went out of his way 3 per cent of domestic registra-tions. Earlier this year the former President, M Giscard d'Estaing, fiatly refused to dis-cuss any relaxation of this res-triction and there is no reason to suppose that M Mitterrand, his successor, will act any differently.

France has also held out against giving the European Commission the powers it reeks to negotiate more "globally" with the Japanese.

Germany, tradizionally the strongest defender of the prin-ciple of free trade, has been unsettled by the rapid encroachment of Japanese manu-facturers into its car market.

Japan's share of the German car market rose to 10.4 per cent last year from only 1.7 per cent in 1976. This had a bigger impact on public opinion than the virtual disappearance of the once strong German camera industry herestee. industry because of Japanese competition early in the 1970s and the advance of the Japanese in the television and Hi-Fi

markets.

So far the government has stuck to its free trade principles, arguing that protectionism against Japan would be suicidal for a trading nation like Germany. But last week, when the captains of West German and Japanese industry got together for their seventh "German-Japanese economic round table", Herr Otto Wolff von Amerongen, the president of the German Association of Chambers of Industry and

Japanese onslaught. All member states subscribed to the Council of Ministers' statements of November, 1980, and February and May this and February and May this year, which urged the Japanese to moderate their exports (particularly in sensitive" areas) and called for better access to the Japanese market. But such statements have little meaning unless they can be backed up by all member countries acting in concert. Most mem-ber states of the EEC have thair own reasons for falling

to warn the Japanese against diverting to Germany cars orig-inally destined for America. Otherwise, he said, Germany could be swept up in protectionist policies advocated by less liberal EEC member

Holland, like Germany, is heavily dependent on world trade and is therefore in the free trade camp. But Philips has been affected by Japanese inroads into the television mar-

The Dutch are also likely to benefit from an eventual restraint package for car deliveries to Benelux—which again weakens the EEC's hand.

Italy's trade deficit with Japan was gradually diminishing in the late 1970s. It went from 245,500m lire in 1977 to 136,100m in 1978 and 86,000m in 1979.

Then this trend was brusquely reversed by a deficit last year of 509,400m lire. Exports declined in lira terms (and even more in real terms. after 20 per cent inflation) from 650,100 lire in 1979 to 605,800m lire in 1980, while im-ports jumped from 736,100m lire to 1,115,200m.

The Japanese made considerable inroads into the Italian market last year with increased sales of sheet steel, machine tools, telecommunications equip-ment and components, and

For years Italy has tried to protect itself with quotas on about 50 items, of which 14; come in the electronics sector. come in the electronics sector. Car imports are limited to 2,200 a year. Other restricted goods include tinned fish, photographic film, spun silk, bed linen, umbrellas, ceramics, steel goods, cutlery, outboard engines, sewing machines, electric motors and toys. But the overall figures show how institution this policy. ineffective this policy 15.

The Government has not had time to work out a new policy to meet the Japanese offensive, beyond supporting maximum Community. At present Signor Arnaldo Forlani heads a care-taker administration and is hardly in a position to take a strong line during the visit by Mr Suzuki, the Japanese prime minister, later this month.

Barriers for Italian exports exist in specific sectors. For example, it is said in the foreign trade ministry, Japanese imports of leather footwear are subjected to a 27 per cent duty and to quotas whose size remains secret. Chemical products are restricted by special lists drawn up by the authori-

Such barriers, officials say, will never be overcome unless the Japanese government shows a political will for genuine collaboration.

In so far as an Italian policy exists, it is much less opposed to joint ventures and collabora-tion in investment projects than a few years ago. Much private industry remains protectionist and Fiat has been in the forefront of those who see Japanese ars as a yellow peril for

Europe. But the state-owned Alfa Romeo has under way a joint venture with Nissan for a new car to be manufactured near Naples; and it has been fol-lowed in the private sector 27 Signor Alessandro de Tomaso, who has gained Italian government permission to import Daihatsu engines for a new model to be assembled at his Innocenti works in Milan.

Reporters: Peter Hill (London), Peter Norman (Brussels) and John Earle (Rome)

Business Diary: The gasman stayeth • Fraternal meetings "swabbing", or how to deal with the "tectonic process", the little Phillips book has the answers—even if it is some-

Energy Secretary David Howell has reappointed the two top men at British Gas for further Sir Denis Rooke, the chair-

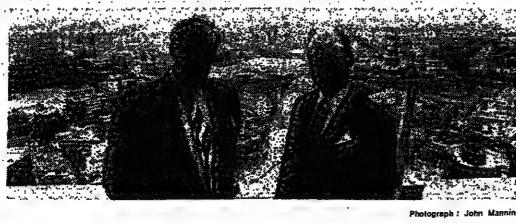
man, whose present contract runs to the end of this month, will now continue to 1986, a year in which he-will celebrate the twentieth anniversary of his first appointment to the corporation. Similarly, deputy chairman Jack Smith has been reappointed for a two-year Sir Denis, a formidable figure at present in the thick of the politicking going on over the planned gas-gathering pipeline project for the North Sea, con-

tinues to be a leading figure in

the Nationalized Industries' Chairmen's Group. He was heavily involved in the negotiations to organize a new pay mechanism for the state industry chiefs and board members. At present, the gas corporation chairman receives £48.500 a year and his deputy £35,400. Under the new system where claims are filed with individual ministries—in British Gas's case with Howell—the Treasury and Civil Service Department main-

taining an overall surveillance
—Sir Denis and his board mem-

bers will shortly be due for an ment Council is to have a female member. Rachel Water-man, deputy chairman of the Consumers' Association, will attend her first meeting of the council next month. She has wide experience of man says that her recreations what kothegendes are what some says that her recreations what kothegendes are what says that her recreations are up to when they are says that her recreations which is a say that her recreations are the says that her recreations are the say that he has a say that her recreations are the say that he had not say t



The Bennic brothers do not suffer from vertigo. which is just as well, since they have a par-ticular relationship with the National West-minster Bank Tower, Britain's tallest structure, to be opened formally by the Queen next Thurs-

Jack (left) and Ron, pictured here on the 41st floor of the City giant, both joined NatWest in the early 1940s when they were in their teens Today Jack is general manager of its premises division, which will run the tower, and Ron is general manager of the international banking division which occupies the building.

. A Midlander, Mrs Waterman

has been deputy chairman of

looks after NatWest's offices from another location, but both waxed lyrical about the structure

It cost £82m in 1980 prices, exclusive of land costs of £4.1m, is 600 foot high and is believed to be the world's tallest cantilevered building. NatWest's preview yesterday did not include a visit to the top viewing floor—the 42nd—but revealed spectacular views of London and seven surrounding counties.

tiginous among its staff the chance of working Ron's office is on the 38th floor, while Jack there have been few takers.

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3 pm each afternoon and it will then offer advertisers special air time "packages" if the weatherman thinks that the

The hank has thoughtfully offered the ver-

Capital Radio, the London commercial station, has come up with a novel idea for selling more advertising, even if does trust to the British weatherman for its success. The station has arranged to receive a 24-hour forecast from the Meteorological Office at

following day's weather will reach 20 degrees Centigrade Keith Reynolds, Capital's marketing director, says that the target groups are those whose sales go up noticeably in warm weather, such as brewers and ice cream firms. The unusual thing about the idea is that if the Met man

reckons that the required tem-perature will not be reached the next day then the packages will not be broadcast and advertisers will not pay a penny. Mind you, if the weatherman gets it wrong and it rains cats and has been involved in consumer affairs since the forties.

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David Hewson

Better deal for small business, but ...

When the Chancellor announced the Business Start-up Scheme in the Budget he succeeded in surprising the small business The idea appeared to represent the kind of innovative

had been calling for. Then a restrictions the Treasury has month later their hopes were dashed with the publication of the Finance Bill: pages were devoted to the scheme, all of them filled with conditions and restrictions which, by common consent, rendered it unuseable.

Indeed a survey just pub-lished by the Conservatives' own Small Business Bureau reveals that 91 per cent of the top accountancy firms said they could not advise their clients to take advantage of the scheme or believed that a complete redraft was necessary. In essence the idea is simple:

individuals wishing to invest in the equity of a new business would be able to offset the investment against their income tax up to a maximum of £10,000 per year. Effectively the Government would be giv-ing back up to £7,500 per year for every £10,000 invested. But the simple concept was relief by the Revenue. An

ing simply a vehicle for tax avoidance and its exclusion of retailing and wholesaling.

Effectively they had no choice. A barrage of criticism has descended on the scheme from businessmen and accountants since the publication of the Finance Bill. This barrage centred on three problems with the scheme: its complexity, its limitation and its uncertainty.

Complexity is unlikely to be alleviated by these latest changes. The scheme must cover so many eventualities and contingencies that com-plexity is inevitable, says the Government.

The key limitations—the ex-clusion of dealers in goods remain, but in the areas of the structure of the company they have now been substantially eased_ But uncertainty still dogs the

scheme. This centres on the question of clawback of the

crippled in the drafting process investor may put his money by the desire of the Inland into a business which clearly Revenue to prevent its becom-qualifies as far as he and his accountants can tell. But since he cannot have control of the company he could find it taking steps beyond his control which would disqualify him for relief.

Thus a manufacturer which decided to become a dealer in goods would render its investor liable for a tax clawback of the relief he had claimed. Some of the worst effects of

this have been eased by the reduction from five to three years of the period over which clawback can be imposed but large element of doubt persists.

It remains to be seen whether the Government has gone far enough. One key element in assessing this will be the extent to which advantage is taken of "marriage brokers" (agencies specializing in bringing together entrepreneurs and private capital) and invest-ment clubs (where groups of investors club together to provide more substantial stakes while retaining their full indi-vidual relief under the scheme).

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FINANCIAL NEWS

Stock markets

Exporters soar as pound sinks

against foreign correncies for two and a half years had con-flicting effects in the marker

likely to benefit from a low pound roared away but equities with more to fear from its weakness and worries over oflationary pressure eased to

Predictably . Predictably the worst casualty was the gilt market on fears of higher interest rates and inflation. Heavy selling started early in the morning on the news that sterling had slumped by 6.3 cents to \$1.95, leading to losses of up to £2. Jobbers reported investors moving mickly out of severoment. ng quickly out of government securities on the now strong fears that higher interest rates

Most leading equities were in heavy demand on the back of the boost to industry—par-ticularly insurance brokers and by mid-morning had firmed up to score smart gains. After rise to 547.9 at 10 am the Index gathered impetus to dd 4 points within an moon it was 7 up at 553.7 on the day and at 3 pm up another 12 before closing at 555.6, a rise of 8.9. The change on the account from last Friday

In the gilt market, longs were cut by £2 as investors sold on interest rate fears. After a brief closed back down by £2. Shorts were not so badly hit, with falls

Glazo put on 8p to 364p and Unilever scored an 11p rise to 571p. ICI drew more strength from the fall of the pound against the Deutschemark and the shares gained 6p to 290p. Rank Organisation rose 10p to 192p. Reckitt & Colman 14p to 2720. Thomas Tillings 7p to 187p. Rowater 8p to 265p and BAT Industries 8p to 368p. After residus at the top end of expectations. Recham added another 6p to 205p. The preanother 6p to 205p. The pre-vious night it had gained 9p after the announcement of the

go-shead for the new Augmentin dring. Tube Investments firmed 2p to 172p and Vickers 1p to 181p. Hanson Trust added 9p to But the big gains came from the insurance brokers who are in the best position to profit. Brokers C E Heath advanced 19p to 271p, Willis Faber 25p to 355p and Sedgwick Forbes 13p to 144p.

Otherwise the composite insurances were firmer because of the German Allianz assault on Eagle Star on Mondoy, After Eagle's defence document yes-

terday, and news of a higher dividend, the shares pur on 4p to 283p, but Guardian Royal Exchange rose 10p to 302p, General Accident 8p to 318p, Commercial Union 7p to 171p, Royal 13p to 396p, and Phoenix 8p to 270p.

Coutious American buving of the deal between Rembrandt the deal between Rembrandt Group and Philip Morris set the shares alight. They were in firmer again last night at 66p. R. J. Reynolds, thwarted bidder for Rothmans, says:
"We can add nothing to our last statement." That was:

Companies reporting took companies reporting took rather a back seat, but jobbers are now revising future results upwards after the pound's fall. BP's results were also better than expected, and its shares firmed at one time 6p to 376p to ease back to 374p. The rights issue from Flight Refuelling left shares 4p lower at 326p but

profits in line with forecasts saw Northern Foods ahead by 6p to 172p. Lower profits, but an increased dividend, saw Century Oils dip 44p to 734p.

After poor figures on Wednesday, Comet Radiovision dropped another 10p to 146p but further another 10p to 146p but further

another and to 1-to out turner consideration of good profits kept Martin the Newsagent climbing another 8p to 262p.
Equity turnover for June 3 £130.473m 14,212). Active stocks yester. 14,212). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were: BP, Eagle Star, Beecham, Reckitt and Colman, British Aerospace, Royal Insurance, Muirhead, Rank Organisation. CE Heath, Racal, Unilever, Philips Lamps and Commercial Union Assurance.

Traditional options: Dealers reported quiet conditions yesterday. Calls were made in ICI, Mersey Docks, Tozer Kemsley, Electronic Remais; and British Land. Traded options: A total of

1.327. contracts were arranged. BP completed 63, Commercial Union 177, Courts 13, Lasmo 7 and Lonrho 167.

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Airflow (F)	18.6(21.6)	0.28*(1.14)	2.92*(9.6*)	Nil(—) ··	-	0.1(2.3)
Beecham (F)	1.195(1.028)	150.6(136.8)	13.55(12.4)	3.5(3.25)	21/8	6.7(6.13)
BP (‡)	6,772(6.488) -	3955(5055)	24:8(32.6)	-(-)		-(-)
Century Oils (F)	52.18(39.0)	3.03(3.6)	10.3(16.7)	2.0(1.85*)	8/9	2.8(2.25)
Culter Guard (F)	23.6(24.8)	1.36*(0.34)	4.5(3.2)	—(0.5)	_	(0.5)
Elec Rentals (F)	181.57(172.37)	14.7(12.2)	5.6(7.2)		.31/7.	4.3(4.3)
Hickson & Weich (I)	42.5(48.7)	2.2(4.4)	6.0(11.0)	2.5(2.5)	28/8	—(7.5)
Leigh Int (F)	21.2(21.2)	1.15(1.10)	11.6(10.6)	3.8(3.37)	_	5.6(5.0)
Jorgan Crucible (‡)	29.13(32.5)	0.5(3.3)	0.4(4.8)	()		(7.5)
Northern Foods (I)	362(257)	17.19(14.8)	7.3(6.14)	1.8(1.6)	28/8	(3.7)
Smart (I)	-(-)	1.4†(1.39†)	-(-)	1.0(0.86)	13/7 .	3.6†()
Utd Electronics (F)	9.23(7.17)	0.86(0.74)	6.0(7.8)	1(-)	31/7	1.57()
Shittington (F)	1.4(1.38)	0.12(0.18)	8.37(10.03)	2.1(2.1)	- ·	3.5(3.5)
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shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown premar and earnings are net. *= Adjusted for scrip. += Forecast for year += Pirst quarter. \$= Net income.

Briefly

Trans-Oceanic Trust: Pretax profit for six months to April 30, 5709,500 (£762,000) net. Assets applicable to ordinary capital 540,57m (£27,83m), and value per share 337.9p (£31.8p). Interim of 2.5p (same). A two-for-one script interior of the same of the sam

Ladbroke Group : Mr Cyril Stein chairman, told annual meeting of another good year. Shareholders have approved the formation of a new property organization in the United States and the arrangements with Mr Kurk Kilstock and his family interests.

London and Commental Advertising Holdings: Mr John Golfar Chairman, told annual meetin chairman, told annual meeting that company was heading for another record year's profit. Group has made a good start to year with business exherative.

Sunderland and South Shields Water Co.: Offer for sale by ten-der of 15.5m 8 per cent redeem-able preference stock, 1987. Miniunderwriters will be required to

Astra Fireworks: Industrial and Commercial Finance Corporation is financing purchase of Astra Fireworks and Andrews and Page for £806,000. Purchaser is Haloberty, a new company financed by ICFC and the new directors and management of Astra and Andrews and Page.

Bula Resources: Allied Irish In-vestment Bank says that applica-tions for 79.3m shares were received in respect of the 12m ordinary shares offered for sale. This represents a subscription of 6.6 times the shares available.

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Electronic Rentals advances

Electronic Rentals, one of the big four television rental groups and known in the High Streets as Visionhire, did a bit better than most observers expected in the year to March 31. It reported pretax profits of £14.74m against £12.22m and outside estimates of £14.5m.

The prover rose from £172.35m to serve of streamlining terms are profits of the street of the cost of streamlining terms. Turnover rose from £172.36m to

At the halfway stage profits were £7.4m and shareholders were told of the impact of high interest rates, recession, and problems in camping and being written off against profits.

In the event, pretax profits were held back by a rise in depreciation of £2.6m to £46.2m

and a modest advance in interest of £400,000to £13.1m, reflect-

The excetpional items repre-sented the cost of streamlining acquisitions in Australia and South Africa of television rental assets. The after tax provisions reflected losses that are expected to rise on disposing or closing Europleasure, and Dudes UK, both in leisure and industrial clothing. The two companies have lost money for

A divisional analysis shows, that of profits before interest, exceptionals and tax of £27.9m.

(against £28.6m) United Kingdom rental profits were £24.4m against £23.9m. The net cash flow, comprising profits after tax, minorities and depreciation, rose slightly from £52.3m to £56.9m.

Electronic Rentals is a reasonably direct way into the renting of television sets and video recorders. Philips NV. the Dutch electrical giant, has around a third of the shares and the hope is that Electronic will catch up competitors who rented out Japanese video recorders before Philips had their own model on the market. This autumn also sees the Jaune hof Philips's video disc

The shares hardened 2p to

Leigh lifts dividend despite tough trading

impact of the recession by set-ring up worker co-operatives to take domestic waste disposal out of the hands of local authorities, reported a slight rise in

profits from £1.10m to £1.15m in the year to March 31.

Group sales were unchanged at £21.2m, although both sales and profits fell during the second half. Second-half profits are \$252.000 to \$250.000 to \$250.00 fits eased from £662,000 to £540,000 reflecting both initial losses with acquisitions and the eepening recession from last

October onwards.

Mrs Joan Agar, chairman, said that results for the first two months of this year were well down, and profits for the

Leigh Interests, the Black first six months of the year Country waste disposal expert could well be lower. Despite which is hoping to offset the the difficult trading climate. could well be lower. Despite the difficult trading climate, Leigh has still raised the final dividend from 4.81p gross to 5.43p, leaving the annual payment up by 12.6 per cent to

> last year's £2.5m issue of con-vertible loan stock, it has been able to continue with its capi-tal spending programme, which totalled £5.44m last year, and totalled 15.44m last year, and keep a strong balance sheet. Year-end bank borrowings were virtually unchanged at £1.25m. Acquisitions during 1980-81 depressed group profits by about £100,000 but following rationalization and reorganization these businesses are now trading profitably.

RTZ increases stake in Tunnel Holdings to 9 pc.

Rio Tinto-Zinc yesterday in creased its stake in Tunnel Holdings to 8.9 per cent of the B shares, giving it 6.3 per cent of the equity vote. A spokesman reiterated RIZs earlier statement that it has an plans to make a counter-bid for Tunnel, which is fighting a cash-and-paper offer now worth 476p, or 435p a share ——? cash bid, from rival cement manufacturer Thomas W.

RTZ's investment da Tunnel has angered Ward's board, which claims RIZ is trying to which claims K12 is trying to frustrate the offer for its own commercial reasons. But RTZ's intervention was welcomed earlier this wtek by Mr Derek Birkin, chairman of Tunnel, as support for Tunnel's efforts to board insists this does not recognize the company's true value and potential.

Highlights from the Statement by the Chairman, Sir Jack Callard:

- Total operating expenses contained despite fixed costs escalation.
- Second half profit recovery in difficult trading conditions. £137 million property valuation shows £49 million surplus.
 - Continued investment for growth and development.

Results (per historical cost convention)	53 weeks to 4th April 1981 £000	.52 weeks to 29th March 1980 £000	Change
Sales (inclusive of VAT)			
Merchandise	350,653	314,932	+11.3
Food	74,929	63,460	+ 18.1
Restaurant	26,643	22,863	+ 16.5
Total	452,225	401,255	+ 12.7
Sales (exclusive of VAT)	410,099	366,346	+ 11.9
Profit before taxation	39,658	41.829	- 5.2
Profit after taxation	27,606	30,761	- 10,3
Dividends per ordinary share	4.5p	4.375p*	
Earnings per ordinary share (historia)	125-	450-	

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FINANCIAL NEWS

Flight Refuelling seeks £5m for US takeover

Aircraft equipment manufacturer Flight Refuelling is to raise 15.15m in a one-for-six rights issue at 225p a share to pay for a United States acquisition. The shares dropped 8p to 3271p yesterday morning after

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Flight Refuelling announced its plan to buy Colorado aircraft components group Stanley Aviation in April. By then it had built up a 44.3 per cent stake in the quoted United States company, at \$24 a share, the price now on offer to the rest of Stanley's shareholders. The total consideration for Stanley's capital is \$10.6m — about £5.5m at yesterday's exchange rate, of which about £2.5m has already been paid our of the existing share stake.

Stanley shareholders will meet in the first week of July Flight Refuelling's shareholders



Mr Michael Cobham, chairman of Flight Refuelling.

have an extraordinary general meeting for the same purpose on June 22. Dealings in the rights issue shares should start Mr Michael Cobham, chair- of the shares.

man of Flight Refuelling ex-pects the takeover to be effeclive from mid-Juy.

Stanley's profits will be con-solidated from then on, and until then will be shown as as-sociated company profits. It made \$1.5m in the year to June 30, 1580. At Flight Refuelling, trading

in the first four months of this year, to December 31, has been slightly better than a year ago, although conditions remain de-pressed. The board intends to recommend a total dividend of not less than 5.36p gross for the year, on the increased, post-rights issue, capital. This re-flects the historic dividend cover, Mr Cobham said, and is or an indication of this year's

likely profit.

Directors control roughly 26
per cent of Flight Refuelling.
Overseas company Falaise Investments now has 10 per cent

United Ceramic for USM

At F. Miller (Textiles) Mr P. Miller, chairman, says in his annual statement that growth in turnover last year was rather small but the potential for the future, given the right economic conditions, was certainly far creater. He considered the volume of the plant at full production could be nearly doubled, with profitability most certainly keeping pace.

United Ceramic Distributors has issued a prospectus in connexion with the placing by certain of its shareholders of 15,600 existing ordinary shares at 80p. This represents some 17 per cent of its ordinary capital. Application has been made to the Stock Exchange for the shares to be dealt in on the Unlisted Securities Market.

Caparo sells stake. in Barrow

Barrow Hepburn Group has been informed that Caparo group has sold its remaining holding of 2.74m shares. Since Caparo now owns no odinary share in BHG, Mr Swraj Paul, chairman of Caparo, has resigned as a director of BHG. Some 2.2.m shares in BHG are now owned by the M and G Re-covery Fund and London Trust Co has 55.4m (22.68 per cent).

Airflow loss

for year

made a loss of £282,000 for the year to February 28, against a pretax profit of £1.14m. Turnover went down from £21.6m to £18.6m.

The board says that both divisions continue to be affected by the current recession particularly the produc-tion section of the manufactur-

The board remains confident that progress will be resumed when the economy recovers from recession.

Guthrie holds payout despite downturn

Depressed commodity prices and losses in its British carpet interests caused 1980 pretax profits as Guthrie Corporation, the trading and plantation group, to fall by £3.5m to £24m. The final dividend was maintained at 30p gross, making 42.9p gross for the whole year, also the same. Earnings, per share were 27.3p, against 38.5p. But for the first time in several years the corporation But for the first time in several years the corporation is striking an optimistic note. Mr Ian Coates, the joint managing director, said that the main weight off management's mind was the reorganization of the Scottish carpet interests, which had been consistent loss makers. Pretax profits were struck after they lost £3m last year.

At a reorganization cost of £6m, taken below the line and leading to a deficit in retained earnings, the carpet operations have been merged with Stod-dard Holdings, a separate, publicly quoted Scottish carpet maker. Guthrle has 40 per cent of the reorganized company.

Guthrie is also discussing the sale of its minority interests in various Malaysian trading companies held by Guthrle Berhad, a Singapore registered company. Under Malaysian law foreigners cannot control trad-

ing companies, and Guthrie's stake in companies it previously ran has been reduced to 30 per But plantations remain the core of the business. Guthrie Ropel, which owns 56,800 planted acres, or roughly a third of the corporation's plantation land in Malaysia, saw pretax profits fall from M\$28.9m to M\$24.6m.

M\$Z8.9m to M\$Z4.5m.

Lower palm oil prices were the main reason for the profits decline, while rubber prices remained fairly steady. During the second half of last year palm oil touched M\$\$00 a tome, its lowest level since 1976. But the average price received by Kumpulan Guthrie, the marketing company, was M\$900 a toune.

Lloyds Bank has 59% of Lloyds and Scottish

Lloyds Bank announced yes-terday that it now owns 59.17 per cent of Lloyds and Scottish, Britain's largest independent hire purchase group for which it launched a bid costing £145m

On the day the takeover was announced, Lloyds Bank-stready held a 39.26 per cent stake, and take the stock market operation to buy stock market operation to buy 10.95 per cent more. Together with a 0.3 per cent stake held by an associate. Lloyds Bank bad control of the group by the bad control of the group by the Royal Bank of Scotland will accept the Lloyds offer in loan. stake, and launched a swift stock market operation to buy

Acceptances for its offer came in from holders of 10.64m shares representing 8.96 per cent of the equity. These acceptances give Lloyds Bank an acceptance level of 85.12 per

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cept of the shares they needed to secure.

But still outstanding is the 39.26 per cent held by Royal Bank of Scotland. It is currently the subject of a takeover bid from Standard and Chartered being investigated by the Monopolies Commission. It has told Lloyds Bank that it intends to defer any action regarding its holding until the Monopolies Commission has reported and the Government has made its recommendations.

If the merger is permitted,

"In any other situation, RBS will decide whether or not to accept similar terms in the light of circumstances then pre-vailing", Lloyds says.

British Dredging closures

British Dredging, the Cardiffbased group whose chairman Mr Fane Vernon has said he is looking for a considerable profits increase this year, has told shareholders that it intends to close two operations with the loss of 65 jobs.

Mr Vernon told the group's annual meeting that it was board policy to eliminate unacceptable loss-makers and that it has decided to close or dispose of Channel Construction, Avonmouth, and its associate company, Channel Joinery.

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank	12%
Barclays	12%
BCCI	12%
Consolidated Crdts	12%
C. Hoare & Co	*12%
Lloyds Bank	12%
Midland Bank	12%
Nat Westminster	12%
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He said the board saw little prospects for recovery of these companies to a profitable future. He added that trading in the first four months of this year is not as good as expected, but just ahead of budget.

Mr Vernon said later that closure costs would be well

within a general reserve of £310,000. He has had approaches to buy the company, but was not optimistic that it would come to anything. Likely closure costs are in the region of £150,000.

Culter Guard loss tops £1m

As expected, Fife paper manufacturer Culter Guard Bridge made a pretax loss in the year to March 31 of £1.36m; against a profit the previous year of £337,000 that was itself a steep decline from the £787,000 made in 1978-79. There is no dividend for the year. Trading losses from continuing operations were £347,000 against a profit a year earlier of £645,000. Losses on

£696,000 against profits of just Extraordinary debits are £2.11m, and there is a £1.69m tax credit. Group interest costs declined from £327,000 to £316.000.

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Hickson and Welch tumbles

Sizable losses in part of its chemical division have halved the pre-tax profits of Hickson and Welch Holdings; the West-Yorkshire-based group whose interests include building materials and timber preserva-

At £2.2m before tax, group profits for the six months to the end of March are barely changed from the second half of last year. But the contributions from its various divisions have changed dramatically.

A substantial loss at its largest chemical producer, Hick-son & Welch Ltd, of Castleford, Robinson & Co. mean the over all contributions from chemicals dropped from 60 per cent to 40 per cent.

Marginal improvements from the timber business, which effectively doubled its share of group profits to 50 per cent, and a slight improvement from the building materials side pre-vented profits from sliding still further. The group do not ex-pect full-year profits to match last year's £6.8m.

Hickson has cut its capital spending programme from a likely £7m to £4m of which £2.8m will be spent in the UK.

The workforce in chemicals is also being cut by 10 per cent from 1,200. Although some are early retirements, redundancy payments in the first half came to £128,000; For the full year, Hickson expects total payments

to reach £250,000 Turnover for the opening half dropped from £48.7m to £42.5m. Trading profits came down from £4.9m to £2.4m. After closure costs and a lower interest charge—Hickson has kept borrowings at last September's level—profits fell to £1.93m.

Whittington down after strike

Chesterfield-based Whitting ton Engineering, which makes conveyors and mechanical handling equipment for the British market, saw its pretax profits fall from £184,000 to £127,000. This reflects difficult trading conditions, and a strike, during its year to March 31, 1981. But the dividend has been mainteined at 5p gross.

Guthrie Corporation @



Chairman's Statement by Mr. Mark Gent, OBE

Preliminary results for year to 31 December 1980	1980	1979
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Operating Profit—		
South East Asia	21,680	25,940
North America	5,568	5,883
Europe	(220)	295
Australia	-660	421
Africa	1,566	. 278
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Interest	5,240	5,313
Profit before taxation	24,014	27,504
Assets attributable to ordinary shareholders	201,008	207,341
Earnings per ordinary share	27.3p	38.5p

Highlights

1980 was a watershed in the history of the Among the highlights were:-

 The purchase from Dunlop of Angus Fire Armour which, together with the group's existing interests in this field, makes the Corporation one of the world's largest fire protection organisations, with nulacturing activities in all five continents:

The resolution of the Corporation's major problem in the last decade, with the merger of its Scottish carpet interests into Stoddard Holdings Limited.

The closure of a number of other loss-making activities in the United Kingdom. The decision to strengthen the agronomic profit base by extending plantation operations outside Malaysia, initially in Mindanao in the Philippines and Hainan in the People's Republic of China.

The sale by Sime Darby of their entire holding in the equity of Guthrie, ending two years of uncertainty.

Although the cost of closures and of the transfer of the Scottish carpet assets has been very heavy, the alternative was to continue to carry debilitating iosses with a considerable commitment of management

Results

Profit before taxation was £24.0 million in 1980, compared with £27.5 million in 1979.

For the second year running, the impact of the strength of sterling at 31 December, the date of translation of profits made in overseas territories, has heen dramati

Had the pre-tax profits for 1980 been translated at rates ruling at 31 December 1979, they would have been approximately £26 million. In a year of recession in the industrialised world, and with substantial changes in the group's structure taking place, this may be considered to be generally satisfactory.

The Scottish carpet interests which have been merged with Stoddard Holdings, together with those operations terminated during the year or in the early part of 1981, made a loss of £3.0 million. The profit-before taxation of £24.0 million is struck after deducting this loss.

Extraordinary losses, relating to the transfer of the Scottish carpet businesses and to the termination of other operations, amounted to £6.0 million.

An interim dividend of 9p per share was paid on 1 April 1981.

The Board's recommendation is that the final dividend should be 21p per share, making a total dividend of 30p per share (1979: 30p). Although this would not be fully justified when considered against the results of 1980 alone, it reflects the Board's confidence in the future prospects of the Corporation.

Taxation

The overall taxation charge includes \$2.7 million of Advance Corporation Tax. The major changes which have taken place in the industrial and commercial base of the group's UK operations should lead to a progressive diminution in the cost to shareholders of this punitive tax on companies which, like the Corporation, are primarily invested overseas.

Current Cost Accounting

A very high proportion of the Corporation's consolidated assets and profits are located and earned outside the UK. To a significant extent appropriate local indices for cost inflation are not available as a basis for the adjustments required to produce CCA figures. Your Board has concluded that figures based on arbitrary assumptions would not have any real meaning and would be misleading. Moreover there are also circumstances in certain territories where the publication of CCA figures could operate against the interests of shareholders.

In consequence, CCA figures have not been published with the preliminary results for 1980 and will not be included as a supplement to the annual

Your Board's decision was reached after careful consideration of all the issues involved and after extensive discussions with institutional investors, the Corporation's principal bankers, the Corporation's auditors, Deloitte Haskins & Sells, and other

Had it been feasible to produce CCA figures, the probable effect would have been a reduction in consolidated profit before taxation but an increase in consolidated shareholders' funds.

Shareholders

Sime Darby's entire shareholding in the Corporation was transferred on 15 December 1980, principally to Permodalan Nasional Berhad (National Equity Corporation), incorporated in Malaysia, which has now become the single largest shareholder with approximately 25% of the issued ordinary shares. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all shareholders, large and small, who have continued to

support the Corporation, particularly in recent years

when its independence has been threatened. **Plantations**

In the light of a substantial reduction in the price of palm oil in the second half of the year – at one stage it had fallen from a peak of over MS1,000 per tonne to under M\$800 per tonne, the lowest level since 1976 the results for the plantation activities were good.

As has previously been pointed out, the price of palm oil has a considerable impact on profitability in the plantation sector. The average price achieved by Kumpulan Guthrie, well over M\$900 per tonne, reflects considerable credit on the marketing organisation.

Total oil palm crops again increased, by more than 10%, with higher mature acreage primarily The price of rubber remained stable throughout 1980,

but output was somewhat lower as acreages planted to rubber were reduced.

Guthrie Ropel owns 56,800 planted acres, about onethird of the Corporation's total interests in plantation land in Malaysia. In accordance with the policy agreed with the Malaysian Government, 40% of Guthrie Ropel is owned by local investors, Reflecting the rather lower palm oil price achieved in 1980, Guthrie Ropel reported a reduction in profit before taxation from M\$28.9 million in 1979 to M\$24.6 million in 1980.

During 1980, Guthrie Ropel announced a joint venture with the Negri Sembilan Development Corporation to develop a 5,000 acre rubber estate at Kuala Pilah. Guthrie will be responsible for management of the estate. This is the group's first significant development of new rubber land for some time and reflects confidence in the future of natural

Although the escalation in the value of estate land in Although the escalation in the value or estate land in Malaysia has continued, the Board does not consider it desirable or economic to have an annual revaluation, except in circumstances where to do otherwise would be detrimental to shareholders' interests. The values included in the balance sheet are those at 31 December 1979.

My statement last year announced a joint venture in the Philippines, in partnership with the National Development Company of the Philippines, to develop 20,000 acres of oil palms at Agusan in Mindanao. By the end of 1981, just eighteen months later, well over 4,000 acres will have been planted. We are fortunate to enjoy a close and harmonious working relationship with the Government and our partners.

In October 1980 we entered into a joint venture agreement with the Overseas Chinese Enterprise Corporation and Singapore investment interests to develop 20,000 acres of oil palms on Hainan Island. The project is the first of its kind in the People's Republic of China. The reputation of Guthrie International Plantation

Services continues to grow. Its consultancy activities and management services are now in demand around the world, both for plantation development and turnkey processing facilities. These activities have been extended by the

acquisition of a majority stake in Minster Agriculture Limited, whose expendse is in the evaluation and project management of a complete range of agricultural and horticultural developments world-wide. In recent years Minster has built up a considerable reputation for its professional approach to project analysis and management. We are pleased, therefore, to have had the opportunity to broaden the scope of our activities in this sector.

The group, which has experience in fifty territories, now has the ability to advise on and manage a total

The new developments which are described above, and other projects under investigation, are designed to counterbalance the effect on plantation profits of the progressive programme of Malaysianisation agreed with the Government in Kuiala Lumpur. During the period to 1990 the Corporation's participation will be reduced to 60%. The group's strategic policy is, as a minimum, to maintain profits from agronomy, its area of greatest expertise, by extending into other territories and related activities.

Guthrie Berhad

Guthrie Berhad increased profit before taxation from \$\$10.7 million in 1979 to \$\$11.1 million in 1980. Results were affected to some extent by the steady drift away from parity of the Singapore dollar and the Malaysian ringgit, which led to exchange losses, and by higher interest costs.

The company has been undergoing major changes, particularly in Malaysia, as associates not directly managed by Guthrie Berhad replace wholly-owned

Discussions have begun recently which, could materially affect the future development of Guthrie Berhad and its relationship to the Corporation.

United States

The results of the Ajax group were again highly satisfactory.

While the basic business, induction furnaces - in which it is a world leader - held its own, excellent performances by some of the lesser-known subsidiaries contributed substantially. Lectrodryer, which manufactures dessicant dryers, and Control Transformer, a specialist transformer manufacturer, both had a very good year indeed.

The Ajax furnace manufacturing subsidiaries in Canada and the UK also contributed higher profits.

Canada

With the exception of Trench Electric, which continues to improve its reputation and profitability, the second half of the year was very difficult for the Highway Trailers, in common with the trailer

industry as a whole, experienced a dramatic fall-off in The auto-parts industry, which represents a substantial part of the sales of Butler Stampings and Butler Polymet, also deteriorated as the year

Angus Fire Armour

Shareholders have been aware of the Corporation's need for a substantial tranche of UK profits if the worst depredations of unrelieved ACT were to be avoided. However, it has been apparent that existing activities in the UK were not satisfactory for the achievement of such an objective and that an . alternative base was necessary.

Guthrie's operations in fire protection overseas - in Africa, the Far East and Australia - manufacturing fire hose and fire extinguishers and selling a range of Angus products, have been successful and expanding. The Corporation consequently offered to purchase Angus Fire Armour from Dunlop and agreement was reached at the end of November 1980.

The Annual Report and Accounts will be posted to shareholders on 12 June. The Annual General Meeting will be held in London on 8 July 1981. The Corporation now owns one of the world's largest fire protection businesses with sales approaching £50 million, having an established range of products in fire engines, fire hose, fire extinguishers, foam and foam equipment and in specialised fixed fire protection equipment for the oil and petro-chemical

Lurope Carpets

In December 1980 an agreement was reached for the Scottish carpet interests of the Corporation -Templeton and Kingsmead - to be merged into the publicly-quoted Stoddard Holdings.

In consequence, Guthrie holds 39,4% of the total increased equity of Stoddard (5,22 million non-voting 'A' ordinary shares) and in addition subscribed in 1981 in each at par for £1.5 million 7% net second cumulative preference shares.

The background is well-known. The deterioration in market conditions within the industry was severe and threatened the future of many carpet manufacturers, A joint study was undertaken with Stoddards and it was agreed that a merger of activities would be in the best interests of both groups of employees and shareholders, that it would result in a carpet manufacturer with a strong financial base and excellent management to combat the difficult trading conditions and that it would make a substantial contribution towards stabilisation of the eroding

The net assets of Stoddard Holdings following the merger were £14.7 million of which £5.8 million was attributable to assets transferred by the Corporation, Although the period of transfer and rationalisation of assets will reflect the problems of dislocation in a continuing climate of difficult trading conditions. integration has gone well and great credit is due to all concerned, I am confident that an unhappy chapter in the Corporation's recent history has ended and that a new and potentially successful grouping has been

The Corporation continues to hold 100% of the equity of Kidderminster-based Woodward Grosvenor, a specialist manufacturer of carpets, which would not easily have fitted into the new Stoddard grouping.

The extraordinary loss in the Corporation's accounts reflecting redundancy and closure costs, has been heavy. I believe that there are few shareholders who will not consider such a one-off cost to be better than the likely continuation of trading losses, with their concomitant effect on ACT, and the diversion of management time which loss-makers inevitably

Trading.

The UK trading businesses had a mixed year. The integration of Guthrie Booker Merchants International has progressed smoothly and the company had a successful 1980.

By contrast, the textile trading activities suffered from dramatic decline in demand as the recession devastated the textile industry and we have substantially withdrawn from this business, Losses on termination have been fully provided in the 1980

Plastics and Textiles

Following the closure of Ebonite Container and Ratcliffe Brothers, the plastics and textiles operations now comprise a smaller and more compact unit. On the whole it performed satisfactorily in a difficult

Australia

Following the outright rejection by the Australian government of the Industries Assistance Commission report, which proposed for the textile industry increased quotas and a reduction in import tariffs. Palm Beach Towel has a more stable commercial basis on which to plan. It has been the mainstay of profitability for the Corporation's Australian activities in recent years and its success in 1980 has improved results overall.

Most other operations performed well, in particular Hose Makers, the group's Australian fire bose manufacturing company, but the world-wide problems of the carpet industry impacted on Tascot." Templeton, which was not profitable in 1980.

Africa

The success of the group's interests in Zimbahwe, in its first year of independence, is encouraging. Much of the increase in operating profit in Africa derived

There have been a number of investment opportunities in the country and, where appropriate, they have been taken up. In particular, in July 1980 we acquired 18.3% of the shares of Hunyani Holdings Ltd. This has already proved a rewarding

In the circumstances of an improvement in the Nigerian economy in 1980, following the return to civilian rule, the results for Guthrie (Nigeria) were The changed conditions in the Gulf area, following

the Iran-Iraq war, resulted in an agreement for the termination of our joint venture in Dubai.

Staff Our thanks are again due to our staff for their excellent

performance in the difficult economic conditions of 1980.

Future Prospects

Although the economic recession in the UK appears to have flattened, conditions world-wide remain uncertain with the continuation of high interest rates in many countries and exchange rate fluctuations. Against this background the year has begun satisfactorily for the Corporation. The elimination of loss makers, the merger of our

Scottish carpet business with Stoddards and the acquisition of Angus will result in a very substantial turn round in the UK performance. For the first time in many years this region will be a material contributor to the operating profit of the group. Angus has started the year well and we are very pleased with the opportunities available internationally following this acquisition.

In North America the economies of Canada and the United States continue to be depressed, affecting in particular those businesses which are consumerorientated. However, the two key Guthrie companies in this region - Ajax Magnethermic in the US and Trench Electric in Canada - both operating in the energy-related, high technology sectors of industry, have very substantial forward order books and can be expected to perform particularly well in 1981.

Most of the Corporation's African and Australian interests are also improving on their 1980 performances and can be expected to make a greater contribution this year. The operating companies, which comprise the

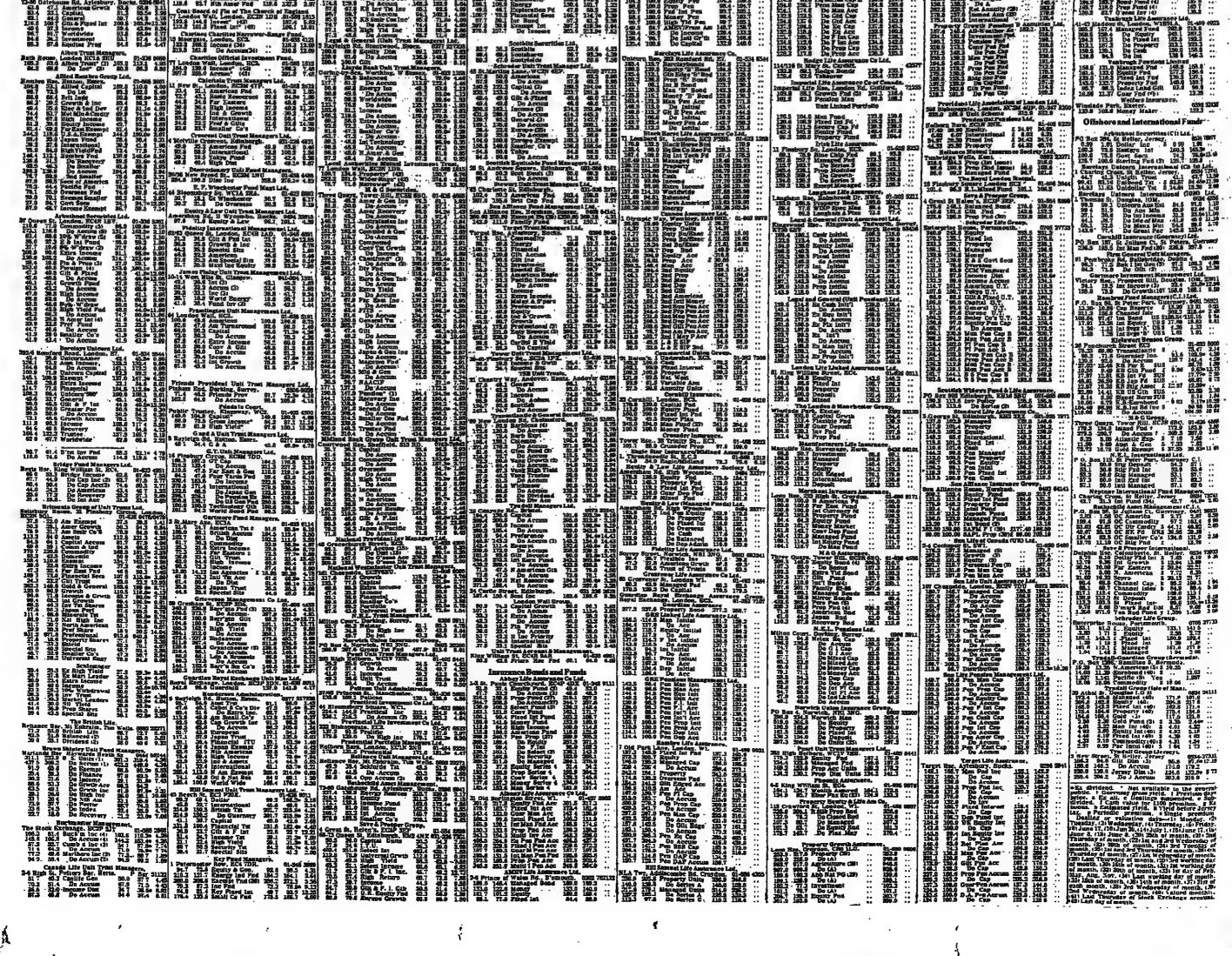
Corporation, are likely to have a good year overall, but the inconsistency in exchange rate movements makes predictions about the aggregate sterling value of their profits difficult to evaluate at this stage. However, unless there is a dramatic change in the

economic circumstances affecting the Corporation's key activities, 1981 should show a substantial improvement.

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Morgan Crucible confident despite poor first quarter

Mr Ian Weston Smith, chair and trading profits slumped man of materials handling and from £4.1m to £1.34m. The first subcomponents group Morgan Crucible, believes that the recession in Britain has passed its low point, and is confident that the group's profits will

now climb steadily.

However, there is little evidence of upturn in the first-quarter figures published yesterday, which show a decline in pretax profits to March 29, from £3.28m to £519.000. But Mr Weston Smith says that the level of orders from the group's Unitd Kingdom customers picked up in April, and has

If Mr Weston Smith's opti-mism proves right, the poor first quarter would mark the end of a decline which began for Morgan Crucible in the second quarter of 1980 and left group with pretax profits £10m that year against of £10m tuat £14.8m in 1979.

quarter tends to have high borrowings, but interest costs were kept to £822,000 against £808,000.

The group has been working hard to contain debt. Gearing is currently about a third of shareholders' funds. The firstquarter figures also contain further redundancy costs, which came out of trading profits and are not specified. While keeping are not spectified. While keeping a wary eye on its European markets, both East and West, Morgan Crucible is said to be doing well in the Middle East, Australia, South Africa, Brazil and the United States.

In spite of his confidence in the British economy's recovery. Mr Weston Smith is cautious on the likely outcome for the year and is making no forecasts yet. But he said that share-holders would benefit if the Its first-quarter sales were group does do well in the year down from £32.5m to £29.1m to December 31.

Ladbroke optimistic

A good years is confidently expected for the Ladbroke Group in 1981, Mr Cyril Stein, the chairman told shareholders at

the annual meeting yesterday. Profits so far for the year to December 31 are satisfactory. Last year the group made £32.6m against £49.2m.
Ladbroke is expanding fast to replace the casino profits lost from the group when the Gaming Board refused to renew licences on its four

London casinos which closed just over a year ago. Share-holders yesterday approved the formulation of a new

the formulation of a new property side to be set up in America.

In the United Kingdom, Ladbroke has obtained planning permission for an office development in Loudon's Mayfair, made two acquisitions, and seen material growth in machine hire already this year, Mr Stein said.

Century Oils slips, but raises dividend

Pretax profits of Stoke-on industry have cut demand here Trent lubricants and coolants for Century's products. New Trent lubricants and coolants group Century Gils slipped to group Century Gils slipped to tail. The first state of the dividend has been raised by 24.4 per cent to 4p gross, where it is still more than 3½ times covered by earnings.

Mr Charles Mitchell, the chairman, says that Century is working to expand its product. New business from new markets and products has not yet balanced that out, fully, at the pretax level, though sales rose from 1839.1m to 1832.2m, reflecting new products.

Interest costs jumped from 1654,000 to 11.17m last year.

Year-end borrowings were 1700,000 higher at 17m, but, thanks to asset revaluations.

than 31 times covered armings.

Mr Charles Mitchell, the chairman, says that Century is working to expand its product range and outlets to generate further profits with or without thanks to asset revaluations, gearing has according to the effects of curhas just started to make lubri-cants in Brazil. Lubricants are to iron out the effects of cur-its major business. It also rency shifts on the balance makes related equipment but sheet prefers to concentrate on spe- Stocks rose a little during cialized high technology the year as demand weakened

too much to the vagaries of the bulk commodity market", Mr

the West Midlands engineering come.

We don't want to be subject possible, in a controlled way, o much to the vagaries of the Mr Mitchell said. The group hopes to improve its profits this Mitchell says.

However, the recession and on its chances of exceeding in particular the problems of 1979-80's £3.57m pretax out-

Profits halved at Veba oil offshoot

Veba Oel, the Veba Group's oil subsidiary, saw its net pro-fits fall by 51 per cent last year point in the first five months of 1981, Herr Fritz Oschmann, the chairman, said yesterday. The strong rise in the cost of crude oil and insufficient revenue from petroleum product sales caused net earnings to fall to DM132m (£27.5m) in 1980 from DM271m in 1979, he

Despite the further deterioration in 1981, the company should still be able to pay a dividend to its parent on this year's results, he added. Veba Oel has transferred DM90m of its 1980 earnings to the parent Oschmann said oil price iu-creases decided by OPEC had

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been reinforced by the dollar's strength, pushing up the cost of crude to German importers to a current DM670 per tonne from DM519 at the end of 1980 and DM349 at the end of 1979. On the sales side, light heating oil

its 1980 earnings to the parent. petroleum products, since it was locked into fixed oil supply contracts with producers.

Household Finance deal

United States group which said bought the remaining 51 United States group which said bought the remaining and entered the consumer finance per cent David Jones and, has entered the sale of a 50 per business in Australia in 1979,

Household will hold a 50 per cent interest in a new entity, HFC Financial Services Limited, with Myer, which operates 124 department, food and discount department stores HFC Financial is being

formed from the successor of HFC's initial consumer finance venture in Australia. Household entered the market by acquiring a 49 per cent interest in David Iones. Finance subsequently Jones . Finance, . subsequently renamed David Jones-Household

Carrian purchase

Carrian Holdings announced yesterday that Union Bank of Hongkong will issue 8.845m new shares representing slightly less than 10 per cent of its present issued share capital, at HK\$9.60 a share to a Carrian subsidiary, Pearl Manuing.

Trading in Union Bank shares on the Hongkong Stock Exchange was suspended immediately after the announce-

Carrian said the purchase represented its continued policy of diversification in longterm investment.

Household Finance Corp., a Finance Limited. Household cent interest to Myer. is forming a joint venture with A Household spokesman Australia's largest retailer Myer could not explain why the com-

pany, in effect, exchanged venture partners by buying David Jones and selling immediately to Myer.

The spokesman said "Myer The spokesman said "Myer had no intention of operating consumer finance offices in its stores. Household said that since it bought its initial interest in David Jones, the operation has increased to 60 branches from 36, with gross receivables increasing from \$40m (£21m) to more than \$85m.

OKC Corporation of Dallas said Mr Charles E. Redwine, a trustee of its liquidating trust, announced that the \$10 a share distribution the trust expected to make this year would be delayed indefinitely because Basin Refining Inc. defaulted on payments of \$37.5m (£18.7m) of principal and \$2m of interest that were due on June 1 to the trust.

sel with instructions to take

appropriate legal action.

OKC Corporation

Mr Redwine said the trust turned the matter over to coun-

Profit motive no ground for conspiracy

Lourho Ltd and Others v Shell Petroleum Co Ltd and Others Petroleum Co Ltd and Others
Before Lord Diplock, Lord
Edmund-Davies, Lord Keith of
Kinkel, Lord Scarman, and
Lord Bridge of Harwich

An alleged illegal agreement
by United Kingdom oil companies and others to supply the
unlawful regime in Rhodesia
with oil in breach of sanctions
imposed after the unilateral
declaration of independence
(UDI) in 1965, which Lonrho
Ltd and associated companies
claimed had caused them
serious loss by non-use of a
pipeline from the port of Beira
in Mozambique to Umtali in
Rhodesia was held, on the
assumed facts, not to constitute
a breach of contract nor to give
rise to a civil cause of action for

a breach of comment not to give rise to a civil cause of action for conspiracy against the oil companies, since the alleged agreement to supply oil by other means was not aimed at nor made with the intention of injuring Longho

nor made with the intention of injuring Lourho.

The House of Lords so held in giving reasons for dismissing on May 6 an appeal by Lourho from the Court of Appeal (the Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Eveleigh and Lord Justice Fox) (The Times, March 6)

The court had upheld Mr Justice Parker who had found in favour of Shell Petroleum Co Ltd and British Petroleum Co Ltd and British Petroleum Co Ltd, in an arbitration in which Lourho sought damages on their claim for loss arising out of the non-use of the pipeline which had supplied oil to a refinery in Rhodesia, following the Southern Rhodesia (Petroleum) Order, 1965. That order made it a criminal offence to supply oil to the illegal regime in Southern Rhodesia without a licence.

licence.

Mr Jonathan Parker, QC and
Mr Timothy Lloyd for Lonrho;
Mr Peter Curry, QC, Mr Brian
Davenport, QC and Mr Gordon
Langley for Shell; Mr Robert
Alexander, QC, Mr Roger
Buckley, QC and Mr Jonathan
Sumption for BP.

even if the facts alleged were true they would not disclose any cause of action against them. If the facts in issue had had to be decided, the cost in time and money would have been immense. The parties therefore agreed as a first step to invite the umpire and arbitrators to answer nine questions of law on the assumption that all Lonrho's allegations were true. If all were answered "No", Lonrho's claim would fail.

The claim arose out of the

The claim arose out of the onstruction and operation of an oil refinery near Umtali in Southern Rhodesia by a refinery company of which Shell. BP and other participant companies held all the shares, and the construction and operation pames netd all the shares, and the construction and operation by Lonrho of a pipeline connecting the refinery with an ocean terminal near Beira.

The refinery on completion would be the only producer of petroleum products in Rhodesia and the commercial expectation of all parties was that it would be the commercial expectation of t obtain its crude oil from supplies shipped to Beira by the supplies snipped to Beira by the participating companies or associates and transported through the pipeline to Umtali. The terms on which that was to be done were in a shippers' agreement of October 30, 1962, between Lourho and the participations. pating companies.

pating companies.

The refinery and pipeline came into operation in January, 1965; all proceeded according to expectations until November 11, 1965, when the Southern Rhodesia government unlaterally declared independence. Pive days later the United Kingdom Parliament passed the Southern Rhodesia Act and, pursuant to it, the 1965 perroleum order prohibiting Shell and BP, as companies incorporated in the United Kingdom, from supplying any crude oil or petroleum products to Southern Rhodesia. That was replaced by a more comprehensive order in 1968 which made no significant changes.

LORD DIPLOCK said that the appeal arose under section 21(1)(a) of the Arbitration Act, 1950, in an arbitration between the claimants (Lourho) and the respondents (Shell and BP). that Lourho received no fees under the shippers' agreement alleged to recover damages in excess of £100m against the oil companies, who contended that

as constituting their cause of action could be stated in a nutshell: (1) before the making of the 1965 sanctions order Shell and BP, by assuring the illegal regime that an adequate supply of petroleum products would reach Southern Rhodesia even if sanctions were

Rhodesia even if sanctions were imposed by other nations, influenced the regime to declare and continue to give effect to UDI; and (2) after the sanctions order had been made. Shell and BP, themselves and through associated companies which they controlled, supplied petroleum products to Southern Rhodesia and thereby prolonged the period for which the pipeline was prevented from operating. Those were the facts which must be assumed to be true in order to answer the true in order to answer the questions of law

Two of the questions were directed to determining whether on the true construction of the on me one construction of me shippers' agreement, governed by English law, the conduct alleged would constitute a breach by Shell and BP of any of its express or implied terms.

Five meticulous analyses of the language of the agreement were unanimous, and his Lord-ship agreed with them. He too would hold that the matters pleaded in Lourho's points of claim disclosed no cause for breach of contract.

The next two questions were directed to determing whether delivery to Southern Rhodesia by Shell and BP of petroleum by Shell and BP of perceions products contrary to the sanctions orders gave to Lourho a right of action in tort against them, assuming that Lourho did suffer loss in consequence of what they did. The claim was put in the alternative; either as an interminate tort committed. an innominate tort, committed by Shell and BP severally, of causing forese-able loss by an unlawful act; or as a joint tort of conspiring together to do an uniawful act which caused damage to Lonrho.

It was well settled in Cutler v Wandsworth Stadium Ltd ([1949] AC 398) that the question when the legislation which made persons guilty of criminal offences liable also in a civil action for damages at the cuit of two second who thereby suit of any person who thereby suffered loss or damage was a question of construction

The Act and the sanctions order here created a statutory prohibition on the doing of certain classes of acts and provided the means of enforcing the prohibition by prosecution for a criminal offence which was subject to heavy penalties.

penalties

So one started with the presumption laid down originally by Lord Tenterden in Doe v Bridges ((1831) 1 B & Ad 857, 859) where he spoke of the general rule that "where an act creates an obligation, and enforces the performance in a specified manner . . . that performance cannot be enforced in any other manner".

Where the only manner of Where the only manner of enforcing performance for which the Act provided was prosecution for the criminal offence of failure to perform the statutory obligation or for contravening the statutory prohibition which the Act created, there were two classes

of exception
The first was where on the true construction of the Act it was apparent that the obligation or prohibition was imposed for the benefit or protection of a particular class of individuals, as in the case of the Factories Acts or similar legislation. The second exception was

where the statute created a public right and a particular member of the public suffered what Mr Justice Brett in Benjamin v Storr ((1874) LR 9 CP 400, 407), described as "marricular direct and substan-"particular, direct and substantial" damage "other and different from that which was common to all the rest of the public".

It had been the unanimous opinion of all below that the sanctions orders made pursuant to the 1965 Act fell within neither of those two exceptions. Clearly they were not imposed for the benefit or protection of a particular class of individuals engaged in supplying or deliver-ing crude oil or petroleum products to Southern Rhodesia. They were intended to put an end to such transactions.

Equally plainly they did not create any public right. On the contrary, what they did was to withdraw a previously existing right of citizens of, and companies incorportated in, the United Kingdom to trade with Southern Rhodesia in crude oil and petroleum products.

In agreement with all those members of the judiciary who had considered the matter his Lordship could see no ground on which contraventions by Shell and BP of the sanctions orders, although not amounting to any breach of contract with Lonrho, nevertheless consti-tuted a tort for which Lonrho could recover in a civil suit any

loss caused to them by such contraventions. The House was invited to answer the question of con-spiracy as a civil tort on the assumption that the purpose of Shell and BP in entering into the agreement to do the various things it must be assumed they did in contravention of the sanctions order, was to forward their own commercial interests: but to injure those of Lonrho.

The question of law was whether an intent by the defendants to injure the plaining of the property of the property of the property of the plaining of the plaining

tiff was an essential element in the civil wrong of conspiracy, even where the acts agreed to be done by the conspirators amounted to criminal offences under a penal statute. It was conceded that there was no direct authority either way in the decided cases.

the decided cases.
Conspiracy as a criminal offence had a long history. It consisted, as Viscount Simon had pur it in Crofter Hand Woven Harris Tweed Co v Veitch ([1942] AC 435,439) in "the agreement of two or more persons to effect any unlawful purpose. whether as their purpose, whether as their ultimate aim, or only as a means to it, and the crime is complete if there is such an agreement, even though nothing is done in pursuance of it."

Regarded as a civil tort,

however, conspiracy was a highly anomalous cause of action, the gist of which was damage to the plaintiff. So long as it remained unexecuted the agreement which alone constituted the crime of conspiracy caused no damage; it was only acts done in execution of the agreement that were capable of doing that. The tort, unlike the crime, consisted not of agreement but of concerted action taken pursuant to agreement.

The civil tort of conspiracy, during its chequered history, had attracted more academic controversy than success in practical application.

Why should an act which caused economic loss to A but was not actionable at his suit if

done by B alone become actionable because B did it pursuant to an agreement between B and C? Lord Justice between B and C? Lord Justice Bowen had explained the distinction in Mogul Steamship Co v McGregor, Gow & Co (1888) 21 QBD 558,616) when he said: "The distinction is based on sound reason, for a combination may make oppressive or dangerous that which if it proceeded only from a single person would be otherwise".

But to suggest today that acts done by one street-corner grocer in concert with a second were more oppressive and dangerous to a competitor than the same acts done by a string of supermarkets under a single-ownership or that of a multi-Lonrho or oil company such as Shell or BP did not exercise Shell or Br cid not exercise greater economic power than any combination of small businesses was to shut one; eyes to what had been happen. ing in the business and industrial world

The civil tort of conspiracy to injure the plaintiff's commercial interests where that was the predominant purpose of the agreement between defendants agreement between usremants and of the acts done in execution of it which caused damage to the plaintiff must be accepted as too well established to be discarded, however anomalous it might seem today. choice whether to confine the civil action of conspiracy to the narrow field to which alone it had an established claim or whether to extend the already anomalous tort beyond those narrow limits which were all that common sense and the application of the legal logic of

the decided cases required.

His Lordship's choice was unhesitatingly the same as that of Mr Justice Parker and all three members of the Court of Appeal. He was against extend-ing the scope of civil tort of conspiracy beyond acts done in execution of an agreement entered into by two or more persons for the purpose not of protecting their own interests but of injuring the interests of The appeal should be dismissed

Lord Edmund-Davies, Lord Keith, Lord Scarman and Lord Bridge concurred.
Solicitors: Cameron Markby,
Slaughter & May, Linklaters &
Paines.

Clerk's unauthorized contract invalid

trict Council v East Midlands Housing Association Ltd. Before Lord Justice Stephen-son, Lord Justice Brandon and Sir Stanley Rees

I Judgments delivered May 15]
The Court of Appeal, by a majority, held in a reserved judgment that a contract made under the seal of a local authority on its behalf by its clerk not so authorized was invalid by reason of the proviso to section 266(2) of the Local Government Act, 1933.

Their Lordships (Lord Justice Brandon dissenting) allowed an appeal by North West Leicestershire District Council from the dismissal by Mr Justice Swanwick of its claim against the East Midlands Housing Associ-[Judgments delivered May 15]

East Midlands Housing Associ-ation Ltd., for £70,651 paid under the contract. Section 266 provides: "(1) A local authority may enter into contracts for the discharge of

contracts for the discharge of any of their functions. (2) All contracts made by a local authority or by a committee thereof shall be made in accordance with the standing orders of the local authority, and in the case of contracts for and in the case of contracts for the supply of goods or materials or for the execution of works, the standing orders shall — (a) require that, except as otherwise provided by or under the standing orders, notice of the intention of the authority or intention of the authority or committee, as the case may be, to enter into the contract shall be published and tenders invited; and (b) regulate the manner in which such notice shall be published and tenders invited: Provided that a person entering into a contract with a local authority shall not be bound to inquire whether the standing orders of the authority which apply to the contract which apply to the contract have been complied with, and all contracts entered into by a local authority, if otherwise valid, shall have full force and effect notwithstanding that the standing orders applicable thereto have not been complied with a standing orders.

with."
Mr Harold Burnett for the Mr Harold Burnett for the local authority; Mr John Dyson for the defendant.
LORD JUSTICE STEPHEN.
SON said that on April 1 1974 the Coalville Urban District Council ceased to exist and allits rights and duties were taken over by the plaintiffs, the North West Leicestershire District Council One marier under the urban district council's con-Council One matter under the urban district council's consideration in its last year of life was the building of three blocks of flats for old people. On August 14 1973 its health and housing committee had resolved that the council approve in principle the scheme submitted by the defendants, the East Midlands Housing Association, for the provision of that accommodation.

On December 18 1973 the committee resolved that the fixed-price tender submitted by the association of £468,985 be accepted subject to written accepted subject to written

accepted subject to written approval.

In the last hectic month before the transfer of functions Mr Marson, the clerk of the urban district council, was no doubt extremely busy, but only two of his actions concerned their Lordships. First, on March 5 1574 he reported to the finance and general purposes finance and general purposes committee of the council that that was the last committee meeting of the council and at his request the committee resolved "that the chairman of the council be authorized to deal with any matter requiring urgent attention during the period up to March 31 1974". Second, on March 12 1974 he met Mr Elderfield, secretary and chief executive of the association, and attested the sealing of a printed contract for

association. That contract, in a standard RIBA form, contained the following written addition under clause 31(B)(b)(iii): "The contract shall also be adjustable on the index based formula of the December of Evictorials." the Department of Environ-ment's circular No 158/73."

ment's circular No 158/73."

The effect of incorporating the manuscript under clause 31(B)(b)(iii) as a term of the contract would be to turn a fixed-price contract into a contract with a price fluctuation clause. The plaintiff council had paid out £550,999 on interim certificates of its architect. In 1976, the district anditor took the view that the contract was a fixed-price contract. was a fixed-price contract.

Hence the plaintiffs' claim

counter-claim for £40,988 under the contract with the price-fluctuation clause, Mr Justice Swanwick held that the price fluctuation clause was incorporated as a term of the contract and gave judgment for the association

overpaid and the association's

There were two issues to be decided: (1) Did Mr Marson have authority to agree the clause on behalf of the urban district council? (2) Even if he did not, was the council bound by the contract to which its seal was affixed?

was affixed?

The judge said that he would have held that in striking the bargain with Mr Elderfield on March 18 1974 Mr Marson exceeded his authority, actual or ostensible, had he not found (1) that the bargain was authorized by the resolution of March 5 1974, and (2) that the contract as amended was validated by the proviso to section 266 (2) of the Act of 1933.

The terms of the resolution of March 5, 1974 were too clear to support the argument that to support the argument that they gave Mr Marson the necessary authority. They gave authority to the chairman, not to the clerk.

Standing Order 23 of the urban district council read: "(1) The common seal of the council shall not be affixed to any document unless the sealing has been authorized by a resolution of the council or of a committee to which the council have delegated their powers but a resolution of the council (or of a committee ...) authorized a committee...) authorizing ... the making of any-incontract... shall be a suf-ficient authority for sealing any document necessary to give effect to the resolution. (2) The seal shall be attested by one at least of the following persons present at the sealing present at the sealing, viz the chairman or vice-chairman of the council or other member of the council, and the clerk or deputy clerk of the council..."

That standing order was not complied with in two respects: the sealing had not been authorized by the necessary resolution; and the seal had not been attested by either the chairman (or the vice-chairman or other member) of the council or the clerk (or deouty clerk) of

or other member) of the council or the clerk (or deputy clerk) of the council being present at the sealing. But those defects, the first was serious, did not deprive the contract of its full force and effect "if otherwise valid".

Was it otherwise valid? The correct answer would seem to correct answer would seem to turn on the standing order and whether there was more wrong with the making of the amended pliance with the standing order.
Mr. Burnett submitted that a
local authority must authorize a
contract before it could be
bound by it and an agent could
not bind it to a contract to which it had not agreed; and at common law.

If Mr Marson had made the

contract with the association in

writing but unsealed, he would

the building of the flats by the not have been in breach of the

standing order because it would attestation of the seal by the not have been applicable. He would not have complied with the December 1973 resolution standing order. the December 1973 resolution because the contract had ceased to be a fixed-price contract. The association would not enforce it against the council not because it was not authorized by the standing order but because it was made contrary to the resolution. Why should the council be bound by a contract made contrary to the resolution by an unauthorized agent because it was sealed and the sealing had not been authorized?

It would be extraordinary, in the absence of any plea of estopped or ratification, if sealing should have the effect of validating an invalid contract when all the standing order laid down was how sealing was to be authorized and carried out and all the proviso to section 266(2) permitted was that a person entering into a contract with a local authority should not be bound to inquire into com-pliance with its standing orders and such a contract should have full force and effect if noncompliance was all that was

wrong with it.

The words "not otherwise valid" were wide enough to cover not merely voidable or illegal contracts duly authorized by resolution complying with the standing order, but con-tracts never made, agreed to or authorized by any resolution or authorized by any resolution or at all. The proviso had no application to a case where the non-compliance with a standing order was not just a failure to obtain a resolution required by the order but was merely incidental to a deliberate con-travention of the will and intention of the local authority expressed in a resolution. Then more was wrong with the

with a standing order.

There was nothing in section 266 or the standing order which bound the council to a contract which its predecessor never intended to make and which purported to be made by Mr Marson in the circumstances of the present case. His Lordship would allow the appeal.

LORD JUSTICE BRANDON said that the question whether Mr Marson had the actual or ostensible authority to agree to the price fluctuation clause was one of fact, depending on the evidence adduced before the judge in the court below.

The second question whether even if Mr Marson did not have such authority there neverthe-less came into being between the council and the association law, depending on the true
meaning and effect of the
proviso to section 266

proviso to section 266

So far as the first question was concerned, his Lordship agreed with the conclusion reached by Lord Justice Stephenson. So far as the second question was concerned, however, he had reached a conclusion opposite to that of Lord Justice Stephenson.

The manner in which it was contemplated by both parties that the council would enter into the contract in issue was by the contract in the council.

The seal of the council was affixed to the contractual document search and comment search.

affixed to the contractual document after the price fluctuation clause had been added to that document. The affixing of the seal appeared on the face of the document to have been done in the presence of the chairman of the council and its clerk, in that their signatures were written alongside the seal in the spaces provided for them, with a statement that the seal had been affixed in their presence. In fact neither the affixing of the consolly seal than the seal had been affixed in their presence.

It was a well-established principle of law that, when a person signed a document which he knew to be of a contractual nature, he was bound by all the terms which the document contributed the document contained, whether he had read, understood and approved such terms or not: L'Estrange v Graucob ([1934] 2 KB 394).

The same principle applied to a case where a person, knowing a document to be of a comractual nature, sealed and delivered it as his deed. It was in the light in the light of that principle that his Lordship turned to consider the true meaning and effect of the proviso The second part of the proviso dealt with cases in which a local authority entered into a comract without complying with one or more of the local authority's standing orders applicable to the making of such a comract. It provided that

in such cases the contract would be binding on the local authority despite such non-compliance, if otherwise valid. What then was meant, in the context in which it occurred, by the expression "otherwise valid"? In his Lordship's opinion, it meant valid apart from the failure to comply with the standing order or standing orders applicable, namely, valid if those orders had been complied with instead of not being complied with.

On the basis that that was the

neaning of the expression otherwise valid", what was the effect of the proviso on the facts of the present case? The facts of the present case? The effect must be that, if the contract would have been binding on the council if the two requirements of Standing Order 23 had been complied with, then it was still binding on the council even though those two requirements were not complied with. Would the contract then have

would the contract then have been binding on the council if the two requirements of the standing order had been complied with? In his Lordship's view, in accordance with the principles he discussed earlier, it clearly would have been so binding in respect of all its terms, including the additional price fluctuation clause, even though Mr Marson, who acted though Mr Marson, who acted as the agent of the council in preparing the couractual docu-ment, did not have the authority of the council to include that

The only circumstance which would, on the hypothesis concerned, have made the contract otherwise invalid, and so not binding on the council, would have been if it had been you as being ultra wires or illegal, as nave been it it had been void as being ultra vires or illegal, or voidable as having been entered into in reliance on a fraudulent or innocent misrepresentation. There was no suggestion that There was no suggestion that any of these circumstances existed in the present case. In the result, his Lordship agreed with the view of the judge that the effect of the proviso to section 266 was to make the whole contract, including the additional price fluctuation clause, binding on the urban district council, and therefore on its successor in title. It followed that he would affirm the judge's decision and

affirm the judge's decision and dismiss the appeal
Sir Stanley Rees delivered a
judgment concurring with Lord
Justice Stephenson in allowing

the appeal.

The appeal was allowed with costs to the local authority, and a declaration was made that there was no express contract Solicitors: Sharpe Princhard & Co; Whitehouse, Gibson & Alton for McMorrans, Coalville, Leicester.

Discretion is limited by imposed duty

William Leech (Midlands) Ltd v Severn-Trent Water Authority Before Lord Justice Stephen-son, Lord Justice Shaw and Lord Justice Donaldson

Judgment delivered May 221
Where a water authority is
required to provide a public
sewer communicating with a
sewer out private land, the
authority's discretion as to the
manner and place of communication does not entitle it to
bring the public sewer on the
land and leave the owner to link
it with his sewer. it with his sewer. The Court of Appeal upheld a

cision of Sir Douglas Fran QC, sitting as a deputy judge of the High Court, that William Leech (Midlands) Ltd, owner of land abutting on Ordsall Road, Retford, Nottinghamshire, was entitled to have its sewer connected to a public sewer by the Severn-Trent Water Auth-

Section 16 of the Water Act, 1973, provides: "(1) It shall be the duty of a water authority to provide any public sewer to be used for domestic purposes for used for domestic purposes for the drainage of premises in the area — . . . (b) if the owners of the premises require the auth-ority to provide a public sewer for the drainage of new buildings and the conditions mentioned in subsection (3) below are satisfied; . . .

"(3) . . the conditions ... are — (a) that the sewer which the owners of the premises require the water authority to provide is a sewer communicat-ing (in such manner and in such place as the authority consider appropriate) with a private sewer provided by the owners;" Mr Roy Vandermeer, QC, and Mr Harry Wolton for the water authority; Mr Gerald Moriarty, QC, and Mr John Grove for the

LORD JUSTICE SHAW said that the appeal raised an important point as to the

Hook not part of machinery'

Mirza v Ford Motor Co Ltd The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Ornirod, Lord Justice Brandon and Mr Justice Hollings) held that a safety hook with its moving safety device was not a part of any machinery the meaning of section within the meaning of section 14(1) of the Factories Act, 1961. The court dismissed an appeal by the plaintiff from the decision of Mr Justice Ackner dismissing his claim for dama-

dismissing his claim for damages for personal injuries.

LORD JUSTICE ORMROD said that the obligation imposed on employers by the section was not to make every dangerous part of machinery safe but to fence any dangerous part. Hooks on hoists were not the kind of machinery which any reasonable person would think of protecting by fencing or fixed guards.

operation and effect of section in 1978, the owner proposed

to erect dwelling houses on the authority, pursuant to section 16 (1)(b), a requisition requiring provision of a public sewer for the drainage of the houses.

The private sewer laid by the owner to serve the new houses was near the southern boundwas near the southern boundary of the estate. The authority proposed to bring the public sewer to a different point of the boundary of the estate contending that it had complied with section 16(3).

It was the words of section 16(3) in parenthesis on which the authority relied. It said that the duty imposed by section 16(1)(b) was fulfilled if it brought the sewer to such a place on the land as ir "consider appropriate"; and that how the private sewer discharged into

the public sewer was the owner's concern. The deputy judge was right in saying: "The words in brackets although appearing on the face of them to give the authority a wide discretion, must be construed as limited by the duty imposed by the section."

There was an overriding There was an overriding obligation on the authority wo provide an effective public sewer communicating with private sewer. The manner and place of communication were placed in the discretion of the authority so long as they provided "a communicating sewer" and not merely a sewer which the owner could cause to

communicate with his sewer. His Lordship would dismiss the appeal.

Lord Justice Donaldson and Lord Justice Stephenson

Solicitors: Sharpe Pritchard & Co for Mr John Stevenson, Sheldon, Birmingham; Gregory, Rowcliffe & Co for Mr T. G. V. Dinning, Newcastle upon Tyne.

Few family appeals in the list

Lord Justice Ormrod in the Court of Appeal made a statement approved by the Master of the Rolls on the present state of the list of appeals in family cases.

His Lordship said that there were only eight appeals from the Family Division, and five the Family Division, and five from the county courts which had not been given a date for the hearing of the appeal. Appeals of those kinds were likely to come into the list for hearing very quickly.

The court attached particular importance to hearing appeals relating to the future of children quickly. The clerk to the president of the court which heard those appeals had instructions to list such appeals for hearing as soon after setting down as possible,

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MOTORING

Mazda joins the battle of the boot

The appearance of a saloon version of the Mazda 323 from lapan only weeks after the car's debut in Britain as a hatchback will revive arguments about the respective merits of booted and tailgated models.

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About five years ago, hatchbacks seemed to be carrying all before them. For small cars particularly, the tailgate, and its corollary, a rear seat that could be folded down to increase luggage space, seemed to offer decisive advantages over the traditional "three-box" design with its separate boot.

Certainly in the supermini class — the Ford Fiesta, Volkswagen Polo, Renault 5 and so on a car without a rear door seemed unthinkable and the inspiration behind all these models, the Issigonis Mini, was frequently criticized for not having one. Sir Alec Issigonis's public retort was that you do not take a step ladder to the office, privately he conceded the point by designing a three-door Mini replacement as long ago as

The hatchback principle was not confined to small cars. The Rover, the Renault 20/30 and the Audi Avant all offer the rear door, although most models in the so-called executive sector have stuck to conventional boots. Perhaps executives are more conservative in their taste. Lower down the market, though, hatchbacks became the new orthodoxy and car makers seemed tacitly to assume that motorists wanted them. Then Volkswagen decided to put the proposition to the test, carried out market research and found there was still a strong liking

for booted cars. VW's response was to take the Polo, put a boot on it, and create what to the casual glance was a new model. The Derby was so successful that for a time it outsold the Polo. VW repeated the process by turning the Golf into the Jetta and other car makers took up the idea. The hatchback Chrysler (now Talbot) Alpine spawned the Solara

The responses of General Motors and Ford, who tend to be cautious in car design and to let others burn their fingers first, were awaited with interest, GM's replacement for the Kadett cleverly left the options open by offering a choice between a saloon and hatchback within the same bodyshell, although, since the shape was two-box rather than three, it ran the risk of alienating potential saloon customers,

In designing the new Escort, Ford decided that it should be a tailgated car, but then, apparently, had misgivings. At any rate, it has deliberately not been promoted as a hatchback. The squared back end, or "bustle" put in primarily as an aerody-namic aid, has helped to give the car something of a saloon look. One of Ford's worries was that a hatchback would not

appeal to the fleet market, which accounts for half of Escort sales. Fleet managers tend to prefer cars with boots, partly because that is where representatives carry their samples. Sales of the new Escort suggest, however, that any prejudice has been over-

The hatchback saloon argument can only be resolved in the market place by the customer exercising his choice. So far, on the figures, the hatchback would appear to be winning. Volkswagen, for instance, is making more than three times as many Golfs as Jettas and twice as many Polos as Derbys.

Talbot, last year, sold nearly twice as many Alpines in Britain as Solaras, though in recent months, thanks to an incentive campaign, the Solara has reversed the position. Vaixhall and Opel figures for sales in Britain of the Chevette, Kadett and Astra show the saloon and hatchback versions roughly

equal.

My own instinct is to favour the practicality and versatility of the tailgated car, What people have against the hatchback is that they do not carry awkward loads very often, and if they do, they buy an estate, that a separate boot feels more secure; and that a saloon looks better.

three boxes presenting a sym-metry that two cannot. And so to the Mazda 323 saloon, which is mechanically identical to the hatchback veridentical to the hatchback ver-sion I tested recently. It has a transverse engine driving the front wheels, rack and pinion steering, and all-independent suspension, which for a Japa-nese car is still an advanced



Reviving arguments — the Mazda 323 saloon

specification. There is one long, as new stretches of road model, with a 1300 cc engine, selling at £3,899. Like the hatchback it is

reasonably quiet, performs briskly, handles crisply and is excellent on fuel consumption, giving 33 to 40 mpg. I am less enthusiastic about the ride quality and despite front-wheel drive, the car is short on roomin the back.

There is a good boot, albeit with a high lip over which luggage must be lifted, and this is one of the very few saloons, which has folding rear seats so that boot space can be extended into the car. Moreover, as in the Metro, the seat splits two-thirds/one-third, enabling several combinations of needle sed. eral combinations of people and luggage to be carried.

A look at maps

With the holidays approaching, the publishers of motoring maps are busy circulating their latest offerings. The trouble with such maps is that they are bound to be out of date before

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are opened. This strengthens the case for buying paper maps, which are cheap, take up little room in the car, can be folded into any shape and thrown away at the end of the season.

Most of the petrol companies sell maps at filling stations. Shell's latest batch, the first restyling for 13 years, covers the United Kingdom in eight sections costing 55p each. They have a generous scale of one inch to three miles, a step fold system which makes for easy use in a car, and a clear, uncluttered layout. Limited access to motorways is clearly indicated and colours used to distinguish between single and dual carriageways. One small grumble is that railways, and stations, are not more prominently printed: they are useful

Shell's cartographer, George Philip, also provides maps for the Royal Automobile Club and to my eyes they are among the most attractive, informative and easy to read. I particularly like

the Navigator series of regional atlases, of which the one covering the East and West Midlands has just been published. It joins three other volumes, covering the north, south-east and the West Coun-

Apart from the general maps, which are on the scale 1.6 miles to the inch, each atlas contains a selection of town plans, as well as fold out maps showing the location of places of interest, from churches and castles to zoos and wildlife. Each atlas costs £4.95 and there will be further volumes on East Anglia and North Wales. The RAC also publishes a single Great Britain Road Atlas, with essentially the same maps, on a scale of four miles to one inch (£6.25 hardback, £5.25 paperback).

The Philip maps turn up yet again in the new Shell Touring Atlas, an attractively produced hardback. The scale is smaller at five miles to one inch, possibly too small to be followed during a car journey. There are illus-trated articles on the coast and countryside; on prehistoric and Roman Britain and other topics; and an area-by-area list of places to visit, with brief notes on each. The book costs £9.95.

The latest publication from the Automobile Association is the Big Road Atlas of Britain, big in the sense that each page measures 15 inches by 11. It is difficult to fit into the glove box but has the advantage of offering a large area of map at a time. The scale is four miles to one inch. I feel that the pale yellow background makes the maps less easy to read than the Philip ones; but railways are more boldly printed. A 96-page

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paperback, the alas costs a reasonable £2.95. The AA has also issued the third edition of its splendid Greater London Street Atlas, which covers 1,500 square miles of the capital and its surrounds from Welwyn to Sevenoaks and from Windsor to Brentwood The index contains 100,000 street names and although the atlas now costs £14.95, I think it is essential for anyone who makes regular car journeys in or around London.

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Norman Wisdom, Judi Dench, Fulton Mackay in the Playhouse production Going Gently (BBC 2, 9.30) which is adapted from the novel by Robert C. S. Downs. It is directed by Stephen Frears and also stars Stephanie Cole.

Thomas Ellice's play GOING GENTLY (BBC 2, 9.30pm) is about dying and about death, the good night of Dylan Thomas's poem. Do not go gentle into it, he implored; rage, rage against the dying of the light. And rage they do, these two men in adjoining hospital beds as cancer burns their bodies and makes a mockery of the play's title. I really don't know what to say about this Playhouse production. I cannot unreservedly recommend it because I am positive it will depress or upset a lot of people and probably appai

 Campaigners for euthanasia will welcome Going Gently as an eloquent vindication of their cause. Those who have had reason to condemn the way hospital staff treat the terminally sick will quote it and say: we told you so. It is a play with no moment of light relief or hint of kindness, and the only thing in it to lift the spirits is the occasional shaft of sunlight in the hospital corridors. It is acted with almost too much realism by Norman Wisdom — whose process in a dermatic value comes as a complete surprise. success in a dramatic role comes as a complete surprise — and by Fulton Mackay who has long ago ceased to surprise me because his versatility seems to know no bounds.

• WALTZ OF THE TOREADORS (BBC 1, 10.50) was made in 1962, a year which saw two Peter Sellers films that were adapted from another medium. Only Two Can Play, was fashioned from the Kingsley Amis novel and was highly acclaimed. Tortadors was a re-working, by Wolf Mankowitz, of the Anouilh play and was more icily received — not, however, because Mr Sellers's performance as the lecherous general was thought to be below performance as the lectuerous general was thought to be because the fact, one of his most resonant roles), but because Mr Mankowicz had substituted banana skins for the rapier thrusts in the play. Visually, the film offers many compensations, including the enchanting Dany Robin.

My radio choices for the day: The final part of John Russell Why radio choices for the day: The final part of John Russell Brown's invaluable series on contemporary playwrights, Brama Up to Now (Radio 4, 4.15) . . . Any Questions? (Radio 4, 8.30) which fields an unusually strong team Michael Foot; John Pardot Norman St John-Stevas and Lady Howe . . . John Graham's farcical comedy A Surfeit of Smiths (Radio 4, 3.02) in which that old hotel joke about Mr and Mrs Smith checking in is inhed for every last ounce of gold . . . The BBC Northern SO playing Bartok's Concerto for Orchestra (Radio 3, 1.05).

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1.15 News and weather; 1.30 Mr Benn: Cowboy, Closedown at 1.45.
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4.50 pm Open University; William Tyndale. 5.15 Materials under Stress. 5.40 Adolf Loos. 6.05 At the Hawk's Well. 6.30

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7.10 It's a Knockout: From Whitby, Yorkshire. The competing teams are from Whitby itself, Filey and Hull. 8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight: With Bernie Winters, Grace Kennedy and Jimmy Aleck. 8.50 Points of View: Barry Took comments on viewers' letters; 9.00 News: with Richard Whit-

9.25 Knots Landing: Richard Avery (John Pleshette) puts his own career on the line. 10.15 Public School: Fifth in this series about Radley College. Some preparatory work by the parents of scholarship boys (from BBC 2). 10.45 News beadlines.

Toresdors (1962) John Guiller-min's film version of the Jean min's frim version of the Jean Anouth's stage comedy about an amorous ex-general (Peter Sellers) whose way to the heart of a presty French girl (Dany Robin) is burred by his wife (Margaret Leighton). With John Frazer, Cyril Cusack, Prunella Scales, Film ends at 12.35. (See Personal Choice.) Personal Choice) Regions

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Radio 4

6.00 am News.

6.10 Farming. 6.30 Today 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.

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7.40 News: with sub-titles for the hard of hearing. 9.30 Playbouse: Going Gently 9.30 Playhouse: Going Gently.
Robert C. S. Downs's novel about two men dying of cancer in hospital has been adapted by Thomax Ellice. It stars Norman Wisdom and Fulton Mackay as the patients, and Judi Dench as the day nurse. (See Personal Choire.) 7.50 Impressions: Dennis Mitchell film about Tull George who has packed his life with activity since his retirement. 8.00 Gardeners' World: Early potatoes and the planting of winter greens and lecks; and the sowing of house plants.

10.40 Deborah Shah: A perform ance of Debussy's piano work Feux d'artifice. 10.45 Newsnight: news and 8.25 New Jobs for Old? News-week film about what can be done to replace declining industries with new ones that will provide work for the jobless. A report by David analysis. 11,30 A. World of Jazz: With Mel Lewis Big Band, Dexter Gordon with Hampton Hawes and Kenny Clarke, and Champion

9.00 Call my Bluff: Game for lack Dupree. poker-faced players. The teams are made up from Arthur Marshall, Pamela Stephenson, Anthony Valentine, Frank Muir, Hannah Gordon and Clive Jack Dupree.

11.55 The Outer Limits: Specimen Unknown. Science fiction thriller about a weather satellite attacked by a plant spore. With Steven McNally, Richard Jackel, Gail Kobe. Ends at 12.50 am James. With Robert Robinson as MC.

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BBC 2

9.30 For Schools: German lesson; 9.58 Alive and kicking; 10.15 French lesson; 10.38 Canal clues; 11.02 Ironbridge Gorge clues; 11.02 Ironbridge Gorge Museum; 11.14 Lenny the Lion; 11.26 Maths; 11.43 Armou (for the bard of hearing). 12.00 The Magic Ball: story of the Eskimo; 12.16 Once Upon a Time: The Sack of Leaves. 12.30 Supersavers: Do your own plumbing; 1.00 News; 1.20 Thames: area news; 1.30 Take the High Road: Scottish estate serial. Dinner invitation for

serial. Dinner invitation for Alice and Morag. 2.00 Honseparty: The magazine that deals with home topics.
2.25 Racing: From Epsom the 2.35 3.10 and 3,40.

to help her; 4.45 Get it Together, pop show, with Andy Fairweather Low, Carlene Cartier, Rockpile 5.15 Sale of The Century: with Nicholas Parsons and big prizes.
5.45 News; 6.00 Thames area news; 6.30 Thames Sport: The prospects for the weekend.

7.00 Winner Takes All: New series begins. General know-ledge quiz, hosted by Jimmy Tarbuck. 7.30 Return of the Saint: Re-run of this adventure series starring ian Ogilvy as Simon Templar. Tonight, dirty work in the Alps

London Weekend

8.30 Misfits: Newcomedy series, 3.50 Superstar Profile: Interview with Liza Minneili; 4.20 drifters has on the life of a divorced woman. With Anne Black Beauty: Cicely Eglington is in gaol. Kevin and Albert try about the effect two young drifters has on the life of a divorced woman. With Anne

9.00 The Professionals: Bodie (Lewis Collins) is besieged in a vicarage with a terrorist for company.
10.00 News from ITN.
10.30 Till Death . . . : Economics lecture from Alf Garnett, to a

captive sudience (Dandy Nichols, Patricia Hayes). 11.00 The London Programme: The Loan Sharks. An investigation into loan companies that lend out money at phenomenally high rates of interest. Includes an interview with Gordon Borrie, Director General of Fair Trading, and advice on where peope can obtain legitimate loans at fair rates of

11.35 Have girls, Will Travel: The TV reporters (Priscilla Barnes and Debra Clinger) are abducted by a group of bodybuilders. 12.30 Close: A reading by Jane

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Radin: Euromagazine II: Edicion Espanola. . 12.00 Close. Radio 3 6.55 am Weather.

7.00 News. 7.05 Morning concert.†

9.00 News.
9.05 Week's Composer: Chausson.†
10.00 Violin and Plano rectul: Bach,
Schoenberg, Schubert.†
10.55 BBC Northern Singers.†
11.15 Dartington String Quartet

8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.
9.00 News.
9.05 Desert Island Discs.†
9.45 Feedback.
10.02 International Assignment.
10.20 International Assignment.
10.30 Daily Service.
10.45 Morning Story.
11.00 News.
11.00 Fortune and the Pishmonger.
11.50 Birds of the Week.
12.02 pm You and Yours.
12.27 My Music.†
1.00 News.
1.40 The Archers.
2.00 News.
2.02 Woman's Hour.
3.00 News. 11.15 Darungton String Quarter recital.†
12.05 pm BBC Northern Symphony Orchestra concert, part 1.†
1.00 News.
1.05 Concert part 2.
1.50 Jessye Norman: Song recital.†
2.35 Schubert recital.†
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3.25 Humphrey Procter-Gregg: Viola and piano recital.
3.20 Music from the reign of Louis XIII. Tenor and lute recital.†
4.55 News. 3.00 News. 3.02 Afternoon Theatre. 4.05 Down the Garden Path. 4.15 Drama Up To Now: drama

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Britain since the war.
4.45 Story Time.†
5.00 PM: News Magazine.
6.00 The Six o'Clock News.
6.30 Going Places.
7.00 News.
7.95 The Archers.
7.20 Pick of the Week.†
8.10 Profile: Bill Ellis.
8.30 Any Oberstions? 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure. 6.55 Play it Again †
7.00 Third Opinion: reflections on current affairs.† 7.30 Gii Orazi ed I Curiazi: Opera by Cimarosa.† 8.40 Interval. 8.50 Gli Orași ed I Curiazi: Act 2. 8.30 Any Questions? 9.15 Letter from America.

9.30 Kaleidoscope.
10.00 The World Tonight.
11.00 A Book & Bedtime: 'The Wolf' (10).
11.15 Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
11.45 Miles Kington.
12.00 News. 10.05 Poetry Now. 10.30 Schnittike: Concert.† 11.00 News. 11.05-11.15 Egon Petri: piano. VHF

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Altarpiece Theme; Music in the
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the Oceans; Europe: Conflict and
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5.45 News and Sport. 6.00 David Symonds.† 8.00 Jim MacLeod and his Band.† 8.45 Friday Night is Music Night.† 10.00 The Grumbleweeds. 10.30 Fiesta! 11.00 Brian Matthew.† 1.00 a.m. Truckers' Hour.† 2.00 am-5.00 You and the Night and tha Music.†

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Councils at risk over spending, minister says

From Christopher Warman, Bournemouth

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He was a believer in public expenditure and if this coun-try had been achieving the rate of growth of Japan or West

of growth of Japan or West Germany perhaps it could have afforded further spending. "But for the next few years the times will not be normal. The crisis that faces up is infinitely more serious than any we have faced over the

Mr King said that with that grim background it was utterly unrealistic to believe that somehow local government could be shielded. He asked

past 20 years.

The end of local government posing to spend in cash terms in its existing form was a real f1,250m more than the overrisk, Mr Tom King, Minister of all target which was equivalent to an extra 18p on everyone's and Environmental Services, said in Bournemouth yesterday. rate bills.

"It will mean higher public borrowing, with the risk of higher interest rates and higher inflation than would otherwise

Addressing the annual con-ference of the Chartered Institute of Finance and Accountancy, he said that the

come about because of the remorseless march of circumstances rather than from any action by ministers.

Mr King's declaration was the sharpest indication yet that the Government will tolerate neither the failure of local authorities to keep their spending within Government guide ing within Government guide-lines nor the levying of excess-ive rate increases.

The audience of senior finan-cial officers in local govern-ment and the public sector and elected councillors was shocked by his blunt warning.

Local government leaders have for some time been saying that Government controls are increasingly threatening local government's freedom but this is the first time that a minister has publicly acknowledged that local government is facing just that possibility.

Mr King insisted that the Government was not "hell bent" on a takeover bid from the Department of the Environment and there were few civil servants who did not view the prospect with anything but horror. He himself was philosophically, morally and ethically against any further centraliza-tion of local government in

He said the simple reason why the Government was ask-ing councils to revise their budgets was because they were budgeting to spend more than the country could afford.

The Government has the inescapable duty to determine the overall levels of public expenditure of which local government expenditure is such an important part. Nor is this in any way some novel doctrine and to their credit all doctrine and to their credit all them. Together what we have the leaders of local government to do is to ensure that these to whom I have ever spoken targets are met." have always accepted that this must be so."

he disinterested in the position of business and commercial ratepayers, who paid 53 per cent of local authority rates but had no voice in determin-

must be so. Mr King said they must not ignore the fact that central government contributed some 60 per cent of council spending. The Government could not be disinterested in the naction of the audience was less violent than might be expected in the face of such a threat of doom.

Mr Ted Knight, leader of Lambeth Council in London, told Mr King that it was not be disinterested in the naction. good enough to say that the Government had no wish to take over local government when it was taking every mea-sure to remove the independ-

ing local spending plans. Local authorities were pro-

Thatcher snubs defence chiefs

By Peter Hennessy
The chiefs of staff have not been invited to the meeting at 10 Downing Street on Monday at which Mr. John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, will present his defence review to the Cabinet's Oversea and Defence Committee. The gathering will be chaired by the Prime Minister.

There will be a special meeting of the full Cabinet on June 17 to approve details of

17 to approve details of Britain's new-look, scaled-down defence programme. A second special Cabinet has been called for the following day to hold a wide-ranging: discussion of

general economic strategy.

By tradition the chiefs of staff have attended meetings of the Oversea and Defence Committee; when defence matters have been on the agenda. Since the Conservatives came to nower, however, Mrs Margarer Thatcher, as part of her attempt to build un the status of the Chief of the Defence Sraff relative to the other three. has often invited Admiral of the Fleet Sir Terence Lewin on

his own.
The absence of all four on
Monday will inject another dose of nervous tension into the aiready fraught armed services, especially the Navy and Army departments, whose budgets are expected to bear the brunt of

Defence review background



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Arthur Askey, the comedian, enough to say that the over local government it was taking every meator remove the independent of local government.

Lothian's grant cut, page 4 said to be "quire cheerful". ence of local government.



Princess Margaret outside St Margaret's Church, Westminster, yesterday after the marriage of the Hon Nicholas Soames and Miss Catherine Weatherall. The Prince was best man. (Wedding group, page 16.)

SDP set to field 300 candidates

Continued from page 1
Mr Alec McGivan at present
the party's secretary, Mr John
Lyttle, the present press officer,
and Mr Roger Liddle, a former
political adviser to Mr William
Rodgers, one of the party's
leaders, are regarded as the
front-runners for those three
johs. Mr Doyle's first task will be

to get to grips with the organization of the SDP. Several members of the party's organization committee have been critical of that aspect of its affairs and there have been complaints that the collective leadership and MPs have tended to neglect it.

☐ The SDP is set to field at least 300 candidates at the next general election. Mr Rodgers said yesterday (Our Political Staff writes).

The Liberals and SDP should fight every seat in the country, dividing thin between the two

Mr Rodgers speaking in Manchester, called for early discussions between the parties to arrive at a fair division of seats. He said: "Warrington is the opportunity to demonstrate that Social Democrats and Liberals can work confidently in partnership."

Labour Party leaders in the North-west-are believed to be keeping open options about recommending an early date for the Warrington by-election which some of them believe could be held on July 23 (John Chartres writes from Manches-

A stronger probability however is for a date in September because the name of the new Labour candidate to replace Sir Thomas Williams who has retired will not be announced Leading article, page 15

Breakthrough claim for anti-viral drug

From Arthur Osman, Birmingham

An Anglo-Belgian team of this versity research scientists announced that a discovery of a new anti-viral compound had been patented and would be developed in Britain.

A leading biochemist said last night that the compound was the equivalent of penicillin related to the virus field. Research in England has been

done at Birmingham Univer-sity's chemistry department by a team directed by Professor Stanley Jones and Dr Richard Walker. They collaborated with Professors E. De Clercq and P. De Somer at the Rega Institute, at Leuven University, Belgium.

Both universities have taken out patents and stoned a licence for its development by the pharmaceutical company G. D. Searle and Co Ltd. which has a leading molecular biology research team at High Wycombe and manufacturing facilities at Morpeth, Northumberland.

Both teams were due to return home today from a con-ference about their discovery held at Nice. Professor Geoffrey Gilbert, professor of biochemistry at Birmingham University, said last night: "It is an amaz-ing development and in my view it is the equivalent of penicillin in the virus field.

"It is the sort of end product screening a that could only happen as a of the Conresult of university research. It Medicines.

An important breakthrough against virus diseases like shingles, chicken pox, some eye infections and the ubiquitous herpes was disclosed yesterday. An Anglo-Belgian team of university research scientists

Professor Jones started the Nucleic Acid Research Group at Birmingham in 1950, and war, joined by Dr Walker as a gradu, ate student nine years later. Since then much of their work has been directed towards the synthesis of polynucleotide and logues and investigations into the chemistry of nucleic acid constituents with the long-term aim of increasing knowledge of the properties of these gene

A statement from Birmingham University last night said:
"This was quickly shown to be the most potent and selective agent against certain herpes viruses yet known and, to date, despite an extensive search, nothing better has been found.

"In particular recent studies varried out under the guidance of Professor De Clercq at the Rega Institute have shown that the compound is highly effica-cious against the viruses caus-ing diseases like cold sores, chicken pox, shingles and cer-tain viral eye infections.

Our Science Editor writes The Our Science Editor writes The development time of turning a discovery of this type into a marketable drug could take from five to 10 years, provided the substance passes the salety and passes the sa screening and testing procedure of the Committee of Safety in

Sir Charles set to fight another day for Savoy

By Philip Robinson

Sir Charles Forte now looks battle has raged between the certain to lose his £67m takeover battle for the Savoy Hotel group, headed by Sir Hugh Wontner. But, if he does, Sir Charles says he will try again the stock market. With the purchases it has made it now controls the equivalent of 524 one process. Charles says he will try again chases it has made it now connext year:

Sir Hugh, who indicated cent of the equity and 37.2 per earlier this week that he might cent of the votes.

be nearing retirement, retorted: I would never leave Savoy inthe lurch."

Sir Charles announced yesterday that holders of 37.8 per cent of the Savoy A shares and 7.7 per cent of the B shares had accepted the offer.

However, stripping out the interests of the Kuwait Invest-ment Office, which has sup-ported Sir Charles from the outset, acceptance of the THF offer came from holders with 3.2 per cent of the A and 0.4 per cent of the B shares. The offer has been extended until next Friday to allow more acceptances.

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S COAST Hastings Eastbourne Littlehamp

That is not enough to win control. It has now stopped huying in the market and was locked in a meeting with S. A. Warburg its merchant bank advisers last night to decide its next move.

For Savoy shareholders the decision is crucial. If THF decides not to buy any more in the market and thus loses the battle, the Savoy shares would drop back sharply. If they do, then those shareholders who may have wavered could sell the shares through the market and take the money whether the bid succeeds or fails. Those next Friday to allow more who have accepted the THF offer would merely get their Over the 13 weeks that the acceptances returned.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

The Queen arrives East Midlands airport, 11 am, later, as Visitor, visits University of Nottlingham to mark its centenary, 11.35 am, later, opens new civic buildings of the Bassetlaw district council, Worksop, 3.40 pm.
The Duke of Edinburgh, as
Colonel-in-Chief of the Duke of
Edinburgh's Royal Regiment Edinburgh's Royal Regiment (Berkshire and Witshire) vising depot. The Prince of Wales Division to take the passing our passing out parade, Lichfield, 10.30 am. Talks, lectures

Wiggins, National Gallery, 1 pm. | leries, 7 Porchester Place, 10 am | Wales and the West: In Devon | ick's, Camden Passage, N1, 01 | The Greek Infantryman by 5 pm. | 5 pm. | Wales and the West: In Devon | ick's, Camden Passage, N1, 01 | Wales and the A35 is reduced in width near | 339 2388; Luigi's, 129 Gypsy Hill. The Greek Infantryman by Anton Powell, 11.30 am; The Mausoleum at Halicarnassus by M. Lyttelton, 1.15 pm; British Museum.

Museum.
Celebrities on the South Bank
II—Etizabeth Söderstrom talks to
Charles Osborne with recorded
musical illustrations, Waterloo
room, South Bank, 6.15 pm.
Carl Andre: Equivalent VII
("The Bricks") by Simon Wilson, Tate Gallery, 1. Exhibitions

Cherryl Fountain, and Margaret Neve, New Grafton Gallery, 42 Old Bond Street, 19 an-6 pm. Norman Gilbert, Drain Gal-

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 15,544

Comic Mart: comics, books, film magazines, posters for collectors and enthusiasts, Central Hall, Westminster, 12-5 pm.
Dracula, mime version by Theatre Whispers, Battersea arts centre, 7.30.
William Anderson reads his poems, Richmond Adult College, 8 pm.

Lunchtime music Lunchtime music

Tom Emlyn Williams and Paul
Brompy, counter-tenors: Guildhall
School of Music and Drama,
Barbican. 1.10 pm.
Spitalfields Festival: Scottish
Baroque Ensemble perform works
by Bartok, Bach and Mendelssohn, Christ Church Spitalfields,
Commercial, street, 1 pm.

Parliament

Today's anniversaries

Lord Kitchener lost his life when HMS Hampshire struck a mine off the Orkneys, 1916; Adam Smith, political economist, was born at Kirkaldy, 1723, and John Maynard Keynes, economist, was born at Cambridge, 1883.

Roads

bound carriageway will be closed from 6.30 am until 5 pm. The section affected is at Rowley Lane Bridge (ASI3S Elstree Way). Special arrangements to cope with extra traffic at Epsom have been made but congestion is likely on the A24 Worthing road and the A217 Brighton road.

Midlands: M6—There is major construction work in the Walsall area and various lanes in both directions are closed. Northbound entry and exit at Junction 9 (Wednesbury) is shut as is the southbound entry from 7 am until 9.30 am at Junction 11 (Wolver-hampton). Long delays are likely on the A1 at Stangate Hill in Cambridgeshire where the nearside northbound lane is closed. North: M1—Only one Tane is open both north and southbound between Junction 30 (A616 Chesterfield) and Junction 32 (M18 the North). The outside lane is closed at Thurcroft near the M1/M18 increion.

the A35 is reduced in width near the junction with the B3165 at Hunter Lodge and long delays are likely. Temporary traffic lights are operating on the A40 between Ragian and Abergavenny. Scotland: There will be delays and diversions on the A7 through Hawick from 8.30 am to 10 am and between 4 pm and 5 pm.—
Inquiries to Automobile Association on 01-954 7373.

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ł	Japan Yn	466.00	440.00
ı	Netherlands Gl	d 5.41	5.15
ı	Norway, Kr	11.95	11.35
J	Portugal Esc. :	126.00	120.00
Į	South Africa R	d 2.15	2.00
ı	Spain Pta Sweden Kr.	187.50	178.50
ı	Sweden Kr.	10.35	9.80
J	Switzerland Fr	4.32	4.10
1	USA'S	2.02 .	1.95
l	Yugoslavia Dur	76.00	71.00

Stock Markets.

The FT index closed up 8.9 at 555.6.

The following London restautants now serve alfresco meals The following will start soon-please ring for further informa-tion: I. Aubergade, 816 Fitchley Rd, NW11, 01-455 8853; FrederSE19, 01-670 1843.

Al fresco restauraums outside London will be covered in future

The Birmingham Post today describes the decision of the Jury at the Central Criminal Court to at the Central Criminal Court to clear two armed raiders of attempting to murder Constable Philip Olds as unaccountable There will be a wave of public opinion in favour of the police. And the Morning Triegraph, Shef-field, welcoming the new Railbus, says the benefits could be low says the benefits could be low lares and, more frequent services. The New York Times yesterday said that President Reagan has approved a new policy for the Caribbean and Central America that calls for increased economic and initiary assistance to combat poverty and to counter alleged Cuban and Soviet subversion. An editorial in The Washington Post dismisses the latest moves by Congress to make federally-funded abortions more difficult to obtain.

Sporting fixtures Cricket: County championships
(11:0 to 5:30 or 6.0): Hampshire

w Middlesex, at Bosingstoke; Lancashire v Surrey, at Mauchester;
Nottinghamshire v Gloucestershire,
at Nottingham; Sussex v Somerset, at Hove; Warwickshire v
Northamptonshire, at Birmingham; Worcestershire v Glamorgan,
at Hereford; Yorkshire v Essex,
at Leeds. Other match: Oxford
University v Leicestershire, at
Oxford, Tennis; French Open
championships, at Roland Garros,
Paris; Beckenham tournament;
Northern tournament, at Manchester.

Chester.
Golf: British amateur championship, at St Andrews; British
women's professional championship, at Conway; Batley international cournament, at Bingley St Ives.

Racing: Meetings at Epsom, Haydock Park and Catterick Bridge. Equestrian: Royal Bath and West Show, at Shepton Mallett; Windsor trials.

Football: Under-21 international, Hungary v England. in Badapest. Cycling: Milk Race, 11th stage, Newcastle to Harrogate.

Books: Kodak Masters, at Worthing.

Gardens open

Worthing.

TOMORROW: Brook Cottage, Alkerton, 6m W of Banbary-roses, shrubs and water garden, 27 pm, also open Sunday; Gruinard, Laide Authea, Ross and Cromarty-garden of general interest.

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SUNDAY: Silver Birches, Ling
Lane, Scarcroft, 7m NE of Leeds
—woodland garden, 2-6 pm: Gateway House, Basing View, Basingstoke, Hampshire—trees, shrubs,
water garden, 2-6 pm: Brook
House, Colwall, near Malvern,
Hereford and Worcester—water
garden, wall garden, trees and
shrubs, 2-6.30 pm; London: 34
Lloyd Baker Street, Finsbury, and
28 Wharton Street, Finsbury—
fown gardens, 2-30-6 pm; Streetfington, West Sussex, 3m NE of
Chichester — several interesting
gardens all owner malmained, 2-7pm

Personal column : Births, Marriages and Deaths are

Pressure will remain low to

Landon, S.E., central S. Engitumi, East Anglia, Chammel Jolands: Rain soon clearing, savany intervals, isolated shower later; wind SW, moderate to fresh; max temp 16C (61F). Midlands, E. Central N England: Sunny Intervals, scattered showers later; wind SW, moderate or fresh; max temp 16C (61F).

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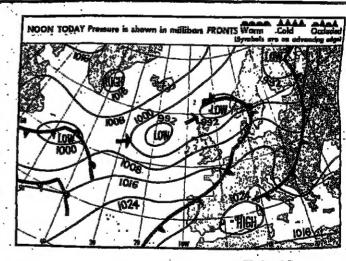
SW, NW England, Wates, Lake District:
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strong; max temp 13C (59F).
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cloudy with showers, becoming frequent and
heavy at times; wind SW to S, fresh; max
temp 14C (57F).

Lighting up time

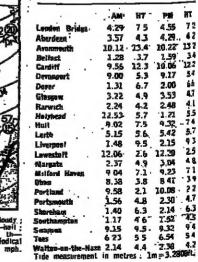
MANCHESTER: Counts 151R 0.46-0.53: W: 60 NW: ENE. Cosmos 956R 0.57-1.0: SW: 65 W: NNE. Dod 23.51-23.53:; WSW: 10 W: WNW. Interestrict 14R 23.08-23.14: NW: 45 WSW: 5". Seasat: 23.28-23.35; NNE: 50 N: SW.

Yesterday's weather

London weather Landon: Temp: Max 7 am to 7 pm. 176 (63F); mln 7 pm to 7 am. 116 (52F). Stornfellty, 7 pm. 70 per cent. Ran, 24hr to 7 pm. a trate. Sun, 24hr to 7 pm. 1,013.1 validant. Fallon.



High tides



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Weather abroad

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ACROSS

1 Priam's unmarried and unruly son (5).
4 Commissions foul defenders (9).

9 One record reversed by Tom

10 Many deer back in this sort of marsh (5).

Hypnotic effect of silence,

Put back this pan (4). 16 Put back this pan (4).
19 Wherewith to shoot a garden raider? (4).
20 Marker's dud version of Newbolt's work (6, 4).
21 Tabing a burn of importing?

22 Taking a turn at importing?

23 Intelligence man, right to dry up (6).

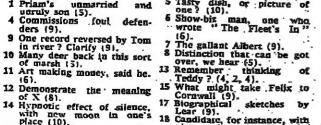
17. Night) (5).
27 Act I lines sadly lacking in flexibility (9).
28 But not when Trappists receive their prizes (6, 3).

Those happenings after winter—spring's beginnings. (5).

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1 Ladies, with looks, about to be with Caesar (9).

2 Tearaway's Yorkshire home, 3 In bloomers, builder's help



Lear (9).

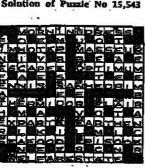
18 Candidate, for instance, with virtuous bombast (8).

21 Gothic character about wings one Conservative (6).

22 Paul. say. cuts ready-made clothes (5).

24 That could be a Carroll fellow (5).

25 A painter many see (4).





Being Disabled: An exhibition of work and activities of disabled people. E. M. Flint Gallery, above Central Library, Lichfield Street, Walsall, 10 am-6 pm.
Butterflies and Wildflowers in Watercolours by Gwen Norman, George Gregory Gallery, 8 Green Street, Bath, 10 am-5.30 pm.
Open Air Art Exhibition, Royal Avenue, Chelsea, 11 am-6 pm.
David Hockney — paintings and drawings for the French triple bill at the Metropolitan Opera House drawings for the French triple bill at the Metropolitian Opera House New York, Riverside Studios, Crisp Road, Hammersmith, 12-8. Exhibitions of political cartoons, prints, caricatores, drawings and paintings by Richard Cole, the Heffer Gallery, Sidney Street, Cambridge, 9-5-30 pm. Marriage exhibition with flower festival, Leicester Cathedral, St. Martins, Leicester, Leicestershire. 10 am 4 pm.

Being Disabled : An exhibition

10 am 4 pm.
Comic Mart: comics, books.

Commons (9.30): Motion on Members' salaries and allowances. Lords (11): Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill, Horserace Betring Levy Bill, and Disabled Persons (No 2) Bill, second readings.

London and the South-east: AI— The outside lane of the London-bound carriageway will be closed from 6.30 am until 5 pm. The

The papers

Tokyo: Another setback as high-priced and giant capital shares went down in light trading. The Nikkei Dow Jones index lost 67.34 points to decline to 7.413.24 at the close. Hongkong: A weaker close on general profit-taking after the hectic rise. The Hang Seag index fell 30.70 points to 1.681.17. Paris: Heavy selling of oil stocks pulled other stocks lower. The market indicator showed a decline of 1 per cent when trading came to an end. Zurich: The market moved slightly higher, continuing its recovery.

Eating al fresco

ants now serve alfresco meals:
Bagatelle, 5 Langton St. SW10,
01-351 4185; Brinkley's, 47 Hollywood Road, SW10, 01-351 1583;
Chamterelle, 149 Old Brompton
Rd, SW7, 01-373 S522; Le Chef,
41 Connaught Street, W2, 01-262
5945; Le Detonr, 5 Campdon Hill
Rd, WR, 01-937 9602; Four
Scasons, 69 Barusbury St, N1,
01-507 0857; Hungry Horse, 196
Fullham Road, SW19, 01-352, 7757;
Paulo's, 28 Wellington, St. 01-240 Paulo's, 28: Wellington St, 01-240 1919; San Lorenzo Fuoriporta, 38 Worple Rd Mews, SW10, 01-946 8463; Wild Thyme, 96 Felsham Rd., SW15, 01-789 3323.

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Forecasts from 6 am to midnight

Sea passages: S. North Sea, Straits of Dover; English Channel (E) Wind W. moderate, backing SW, increasing fresh or strong; sea moderate, becoming yough.

St George's Channel, Trish Sea: Wind SW, fresh or strong; sea rough.

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Satellite predictions

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